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Thieves target vehicles in Stadium parking lot



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One of the 11 cars broken into in the M parking lot behind Stadium Apartments, Dec. 9. The front window was smashed and the CD deck was stolen. The victim had only liability insurance.

By ERIC WALSH
STAFF REPORTER

Thieves broke into 11 cars in the M lot of the University of Minnesota Duluth Stadium Apartments during the early morning hours of Thursday, Dec. 9, according to Stadium residents and victims.

"The University Police continue to attempt to provide and maintain security for the 3,000-plus on-campus residents, the approximately 25 academic and housing buildings and the resident parking lots," Director of UMD Campus Police Anne Peterson said. "Student residents with cars on campus are encouraged to take all their valuables out of their vehicles."

James Boley, Stadium resident was concerned by the activity.

"This is bad," said Boley. "I can't believe it. I didn't think this was an unsafe place to park. Obviously it is though."

"They should start setting up surveillance cameras or something. I'm fortunate that it

didn't happen to me," Boley said.

Campus Police used the automobiles' license plates to contact those involved by way of telephone. They left messages for those who did not answer informing them of the incident.

Cars that were examined by authorities were ticketed with data.

There were five reports of "car prowls" in campus parking lot M during the month of November, according to campus police.

During the afternoon hours of Friday, Dec. 10, five of the cars victimized by the Thursday morning thievery still remained in the parking lot, garbage bags covering the shattered windows.

Two residents whose vehicles were broken into discussed their stories outside. The victims asked for anonymity.



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The CD deck missing from the car mentioned in the above picture. The thieves stole mostly stereo systems.

"I parked my car after 1 a.m., so it must have happened after that," said one of the victims. "One of my windows is smashed and my CD deck is all ripped out along with the middle of my dashboard. They took my snowboard and boots, too."

One of the other victims also described what happened to his car.

"The face plate from my CD

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University denies 'Deuce' program

By KIEREN SELL
STAFF REPORTER

The UMD Student Association's "Deuce" Program was sent back to the starting block after the administration announced there is no way they could take the whole project on.

At the Chancellor's Breakfast last Wednesday, it was made very clear that the administration will not fund the program, which would allow students to pay only \$2 for cab rides in the Duluth/Superior area. The administration said that because of liability issues with insurance, the University cannot fund the program.

"They didn't go against supporting the program," said SA member Dan Hartman. "They just can't take it on as a whole."

The SA is now applying for the "Deuce" program to be part of the Student Service Fee (SSF). The SA already receives some money from this fee, but to run the program, they will need to increase this amount.

"Our SA budget would almost double to run it," said Hartman.

This would mean that if the SA were to normally receive \$3 from the SSF, it would now get six to help in running the program.

The SA is building a pre-

sentation for the "Deuce" program's inclusion in the SSF and will be bringing the proposal to Vice-Chancellor Greg Fox later this week.

"Getting the administration's backing on this would help the program greatly," said Hartman.

The SA's new plan for the program will be similar to the discount cab programs at North Dakota State University and Minnesota State University Moorhead. These programs have control over their school's SSF, which UMD does not, so the SA has more challenges to face than the other programs do.

The "Deuce" program will allow students who have paid the SSF fee to get a sticker from the SA office to put on their student I.D. This would allow them to call the number on the sticker and have a cab pick them up anywhere in the Twin Ports. Once the cab picks you up, you can show the sticker and pay only \$2 for your ride.

While the SA is still working on the details of the program, Hartman says they hope to have it up and running by Fall 2005.

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Teen confesses to vandalism

By ANDY GREDER
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Within the last week, the investigation of the Swenson Science Building vandalism has revealed more specifics on the night of Nov. 13, 2004. The three juveniles spent time in court and the damage estimate has doubled.

The 14-year-old boy responsible for the damage confessed in St. Louis County juvenile court on Tuesday, according to the *Duluth News Tribune*. His counterparts, a 13-year-old and 12-year-old, pleaded not guilty.

In the 14-year-old's testimony with Assistant St. Louis County Attorney Angie Shambour he admitted to the damage.

"We destroyed the building," he said.

The damage to the building is up to an estimated \$8 million, according to the *Star Tribune*. The insurance company will pick up most of the tab but deductibles require the University to pay \$190,000 and the contractor to pay \$10,000.

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Science student to present in Thailand

By **HEATHER H. TROW**
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UMD senior Julie Glasscock is planning a trip to Thailand where she will present her research at the Invertebrate Neuropeptide Conference in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

Glasscock is a double major in the science department, majoring in chemistry and biochemistry/molecular biology. Her passion for biochemistry has allowed her to present at the National Conference on Undergraduate research in Indianapolis, work on two UROPs previous to her current one ("Study on Juvenile Hormone Biosynthesis Regulation" and "Stimulation of Juvenile Hormone biosynthesis in insects: structure-function relationship of allatoactive peptides") and create a manuscript entitled "Immunocytochemical localization of an allatropin in selected developmental stages of *Heliothis virescens* and *Apis mellifera*."

Glasscock is preparing to attend the conference, this spring, in order to present her

research on neuroendocrine regulation of insect development.

Her research has focused on the lifecycle of moths and honeybees and how brain peptides in their central nervous system control the reproduction and

"We are going to visit some villages and Buddhist temples north of Chiang Mai and go shopping at the Night Bazaar in town," Glasscock said.

Luckily, preparing for her trip doesn't involve learning the native tongue of Thailand.



Photo courtesy of UMD Web site

This spring, Julie Glasscock (left) will attend a Conference in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

development of the insects. This research is key to scientific discovery surrounding the elimination of insect plagues.

It won't be all work for Glasscock in Thailand, though. She's also looking forward to some sightseeing.

"Everyone at the conference will speak English to some degree," said Glasscock.

Also to her advantage is the fact that through the help of the Chemistry department, the Biology department, the College of Science and Engi-

neering and the Office of the Chancellor, Glasscock's trip has been paid for.

Academia seems to be the land of opportunity for Glasscock, who is a Raymond W. Darland All-American scholar on top of her achievements in the field of science.

Glasscock also expressed gratitude to a particular professor who has supervised her previous projects and helped her get where she is today (and will be attending the conference with her).

"Dr. Anna Rachinsky is a great research advisor," Glasscock said.

It seems that even after years and years of hard work, Glasscock is not yet ready to quit school. Glasscock wants to continue her studies in a graduate setting as well.

"I am hoping to go to graduate school for Biochemistry. I am interested in studying macromolecular structure."

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Restrictions hinder international students *Decline of 2.4 percent since '03-'04, other nations seem more appealing due to changes in policy*

By **KURT DRENGLER**
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UMD international students face increased security measures to study in the U.S. after 9/11, but the University's overall enrollment is up since the attack.

In Minnesota, international students have noticed the nationwide trend in decreasing numbers as a result of higher security measures in the wake of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, according to the Associated Press.

UMD has 213 international students enrolled this academic year representing 35 countries. Despite national averages and tighter restrictions, UMD actually saw a rise in the number of foreign students immediately following 9/11.

During the 2001 school year, UMD had 180 international students. In 2002 there were an additional 57 students, but that number has decreased slightly every year thereafter.

"We don't have as large of a population of international students, so it's not as dramatic as some of the larger institutions, but it's definitely an issue," said Bruce Gildseth, vice chancellor of academic support.

Gildseth pointed to changes in processes such as the CE-VIS, an online database that tracks the records of foreign students, which have delayed student's access to study in the U.S.

"It's become a lot more

rigorous and takes a lot more time," said Gildseth "We've had some examples of students who had applied for the fall, but didn't get processed in time and had to wait until the spring semester."

Competition from other countries with less stringent policies has also affected the U.S.' ability to attract students from abroad, said Gildseth.

"The other trend, I sense, from literature that I've read

Pelayo-Woodward as she referenced an article from *Black Issues in Higher Education* dated Dec. 2, 2004.

The article states that international student enrollment has declined by 2.4 percent nationwide over the 2003-2004 school year. The article attributes this decline to real and perceived difficulties in obtaining student visas, rising U.S. tuition costs, vigorous recruitment from other Eng-

tain an I-20 document, which grants them temporary status to study in the U.S.

"If an institution agrees that a person meets the requirements [for admission], the University will present that student with an I-20," Pelayo-Woodward explained. "This I-20 along with the student's letter of admission then goes back to that student's home U.S. embassy. It's then up to the embassy's U.S. personnel... to allow the student to go."

"I was an International student speaking from my own experience," said Pelayo-Woodward, originally from Mexico. "But it's gotten more difficult."

Woodward also pointed out that students from some countries have more difficulty entering the States than others.

"If you were to look at the history of immigration, it's very discriminatory," Pelayo-Woodward said. "Immigration doesn't even lie about it, go to their Web site," she said gesturing to her desk. "The U.S. has a lottery system that gives preference to some countries. If you're from the Middle East or Mexico or India, you'd have a lot harder time than if you were from Scandinavia or most other European countries."

UMD International Students

2001 -- 180
2002 -- 237
2004 -- 213

has suggested that competition is on the rise from other countries where the process isn't as cumbersome and complex," Gildseth said. "Seeing it from the world market, we've certainly got a lot more competition."

To Susana Pelayo-Woodward, UMD Hispanic/Latino/Chicana coordinator, this was not shocking.

"I'm not surprised [that this has become a problem] based on the restrictions placed for an international student to study or even visit," said

lish-speaking countries and perceptions that foreign students are no longer welcome in the U.S.

"Many times, it's not even the Universities' fault," said Pelayo-Woodward. "Many are welcoming as they see that a student is financially set, grades are set, but when it gets back to the embassy, they say no."

Pelayo-Woodward pointed out that difficulties arise when it comes back to the student's U.S. embassy in their home country. Students must ob-

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Hamline denies U.S. military recruiters on campus

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U.S. military recruiters should be barred from the Hamline University campus because the military discriminates against gays, according to a resolution that won overwhelming support from the Student Congress on Tuesday.

The undergraduate student group doesn't have the power to ban the recruiters outright, so the resolution asks university administrators to do so.

University spokeswoman Rebecca Hauger said the students voted in favor of the resolution 88-15. Under the group's rules, students holding elected positions get two votes while all other students get one, Hauger said.

Graham Lampa, the 21-year-old Brainerd senior who authored the resolution, said before the vote that he expected it to pass.

"If we are going to allow recruiters onto our campus, we want to make sure they are willing to take any of our students, not just the white students or the straight students or the rich students," he said.

The resolution puts the administration in a tight spot because a 1995 federal law bars the government from providing money to any college or university that obstructs military recruiting.

However, the law is undergoing a legal challenge by a

coalition of law schools which last month won a ruling from the 3rd Circuit of the U.S. Appeals Court in Philadelphia that the law interfered with the First Amendment rights of the schools.

The ruling by a three-judge panel of the court said universities could exclude military recruiters without losing federal money. The government has not announced whether it would appeal the ruling.

Hamline estimates that it receives more than \$35 million a year in federal funds through various programs.

University Vice President Dan Loritz said the University would continue to allow military recruiters on campus because the 1995 law, called the Solomon Amendment, remains in effect in Minnesota.

"The University will be monitoring the action of the courts on this issue," he said in a statement.

Not all members of the Hamline Student Congress supported the resolution.

"I don't see the recruiters as a negative for the campus," said Jon Guyer, 22, a senior from Eagan, before Tuesday's vote. "My guess is they are here for about 10 hours a year."

Kevin Watson, president of Hamline's gay and lesbian group, Spectrum, said the resolution was not intended to insult the nation or the current overseas deployments. It's simply a message that Hamline won't "support the discrimina-

tory policies of the U.S. military," he said.

Hamline's liberal arts college has about 1,800 students. The University also has gradu-

ate schools of law, education, management and liberal studies.

The Minnesota National Guard said recruitment could

suffer if such bans spread from Hamline to other state colleges and universities, said Maj. Kevin Olson, Minnesota Guard spokesman.



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Finals week brings stress to many UMD students

By ZAC MANGAS
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

As finals week approaches, the Counseling Center located in UMD's Health Services is

equipped to handle an above average amount of students that will come in for visits.

"We generally see more students coming in a week or two prior to finals," said Kathy

Morris, director of Health Services and Counseling. "By the time you get into finals week people have pretty much accepted how things are." Morris has been working with

Health Services for the past 10 years.

"At the beginning of the semester we each see usually four to five students," said Morris. "At the end of the semester we each see twice that amount, many dealing with stress."

According to acha.org, the American College Health Association, signs of stress may include problems with eating or sleeping, increased use of alcohol or drugs, fatigue, procrastination, inability to concentrate, weakness, dizziness, shortness of breath, angry feelings, frequent colds, body aches and others.

Morris' suggestions to help with stress include: taking things one step at a time, getting enough sleep, doing the most difficult schoolwork when you're fresh and talking with friends.

The ACHA, defines stress as "your physical, emotional and mental response to change, regardless of whether the change is good or bad."

If people did not have stress, some work would never get done.

According to the ACHA, stress is the extra burst of adrenaline that helps finish a final paper, win a hockey game or meet another challenge. The extra burst is positive stress.

When a person can't return to that relaxed state, then they experience negative stress.

Other issues students come

to counselors for include: adjustment to college life, anxiety, body image, drug and alcohol abuse, eating disorders, family problems, grief and loss, insecurity, loneliness, self-esteem, sexual abuse and assault, harassment, sexuality and suicidal thinking.

With negative stress usually come changes in the body and if they continue, it can lead to physical exhaustion and illness.

Many students receive help and support from the counselors, but not all issues can be resolved in one meeting.

"Some people come in for one session and others may come in for six to 10," said Morris. "It really depends on the person and the issue, but the average number of sessions is 3.2."

If a student is having a crisis then medication is sometimes the answer.

But students who need medication for their problems don't get it from the counselors.

"There is no psychiatrist," said Morris. "If someone needs to be on anti-depressants, we will make a referral over to our medical side and our physician or practitioner will look into prescribing the meds. If it gets more difficult we do have a psychiatrist in the community that we can use."

The staff will only use referrals if there is a large problem and counseling is not working.

Morris doesn't suggest medication when it comes to something like stress.

"I wouldn't go with medication for stress," she said. "If they have some kind of anxiety disorder or diagnosable depression then medication would be helpful."

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College dorms moving away from land-lines

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Students across the country are becoming less likely to use the phones provided by the university in their dorm rooms.

They come to college with wireless telephones and, often, calling plans that allow them to phone home at no extra cost.

Because of this, colleges across the country are considering pulling the plug on phone lines in dorm rooms. Penn State University, Duke University and the University of Kansas are considering removing phone lines from dorms.

Some, including Shippensburg, Penn State and Dickinson College, have removed campus-provided phones from rooms, leaving it up to students to bring their own phones to plug into the jacks.

This was done at the request of students, who prefer cordless models or ones with fancier features, officials said.

Providing campus and local phone service to residence hall rooms is expensive, said Tom Gibson, Penn State associate vice president for auxiliary and business services. And if students use cell phones, it seems senseless to make them pay twice for phone service, he said.

Penn State isn't removing phone lines yet, but university officials are talking about it.

"We just started to put together a discussion group to flesh out whether this is something we want to pursue or not," Gibson said.

Only about half of Dickinson College's on-campus resident students brought phones with them this fall, officials said. Shippensburg University officials estimated about three-quarters of its 1,100 phone lines in residence hall rooms are in use.

Gibson is uncertain what percentage of Penn State students use the phone lines in their rooms. But he is pretty sure most have cell phones.

Verizon Wireless can back that up with statistics from call volumes on its system around state colleges. Company spokeswoman Laura Merritt said Verizon recorded a 142 percent increase in call volume during the first week of classes.

College officials said the biggest drawback to eliminating phone lines in rooms centers around security. Cell phone calls, even with an enhanced-911 system, can pinpoint the user only to within 50 to 100 meters.

Concerns about access to telephones in emergencies, the undependable nature of a cell phone with a low battery and the affordability of cell phones for low-income students also must be considered, he said.

Rather than eliminating phone lines to dorm rooms, colleges may first explore ways to combine them with the student's cell phone service. Susquehanna University plans to survey students next semester to see if they would want services like that.

"I intend to use the results to drive investment in services that are valuable to students," said Mark Huber, Susquehanna's information technology director. "For example, giving students the choice to automatically push campus voicemail to their cell phone

voice mailbox or the choice of having their campus phones ring to their cell phones."

Gibson recalled that when he was in college in the 1960s, he phoned home on a pay phone in the dorm hallway.

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Winter hinders driving, parking

By SHANNON WALSH
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

With the first snowfall, slippery road conditions left many drivers re-examining the essentials for safe driving during winter.

"Drivers need to plan for traffic congestion on snowy days and allow more time for reaching their destinations," said the Director of University Police, Anne Peterson, in a recent e-mail interview.

Since the first snowfall on Dec. 2, there have been 47 accidents reported - and of that three have resulted in injuries, said Duluth Traffic Investigator Tom Stolee in a recent phone interview.

"The leading cause of about 95 percent of these accidents is due to people driving too fast, not paying attention and taking a less defensive approach when on the road," said Stolee.

Some accidents have also resulted from avoiding deer on the roads.

UMD Communications major Barb Breher said in a recent e-mail interview that she found herself in the ditch after a few deer ran across the road in front of her at the intersection of Hwy 53 and Lavaque Road.

"I was driving about six feet away from a lady in a white Buick Century going about 50 mph," said Breher. "I glanced down to look at my gauges and when I looked back up the lady was slamming on her brakes for deer. I did not have enough time to react, so I ended up driving right into her car. The police were called and arrived within five minutes," she added.

"I was brought to the hospital due to a broken nose from the air bag and bruises all over my face from the seatbelt," said Breher.

The accident totaled Breher's 2004 Honda Civic EX due to the body damage and a crack in the transmission.

"Accidents like Breher's

happen all too often," said Stolee.

Gradually slowing down is especially important when driving down the avenues or approaching an intersection with an avenue, Stolee added.

Along with reducing speed when necessary, drivers need to be aware of visibility.

"With snowy conditions, drivers need to watch out for pedestrians, especially on-campus, due to the large amount of students walking to and from class," said Peterson.

To assure full visibility for the driver, Peterson said to make sure all windows on the driver's vehicle have been cleared of snow and ice before they head on their trip.

Along with driving tips, parking restrictions are stricter during the winter season.

"Last year we towed a large number of vehicles due to drivers not following parking instructions," said Stolee.

Parking restrictions exist not only on Duluth streets, but also on-campus during the winter months.

"Due to the needed plowing, we lose some spaces at the sides of all the lots, resulting in fewer spaces available for the students," said Director of UMD Parking Services, Beverly Ecklund, in a recent e-mail interview.

Another parking issue during the winter, said Ecklund, is that the stripes marking the parking spaces are more difficult to see and often people don't park correctly, taking up more spaces.

Ecklund stated that there is no way to plow during the day when the lot is in use.

When this happens Ecklund receives a lot of complaints from students, but she said that there is no way to plow the lots when vehicles are parked there.

Those students who live on campus and own a vehicle in the housing lots are notified via e-mail and through posters located in each residence hall when the plowing will occur, said Ecklund.

"We let the students know the specific time when their vehicles need to be moved and where to park while their lot is being plowed," said Ecklund.

The students are also warned, said Ecklund, that their vehicles will be tagged and towed if they are not moved during the designated time.

There are some basic tips to remember when driving and parking during the winter.

"Overall, it is imperative that drivers pay attention to the road, parking signs and drive slow, especially during the winter months," said Stolee.

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player is gone," he said. "They broke my CD deck trying to get it out and ended up leaving it behind. My window is broken and they ripped the lock off my trunk and I can't get it open, so I don't know what they took from there."

"I got an estimate today and they told me that there was about \$2,900 worth of damage. My CD player cost me \$235 and I had just gotten it, too."

Unfortunately for those with only liability insurance, any car damage or stolen items are, for now anyways, a total loss.

"I have liability," one of the victims explained. "If you have an accident, insurance only pays for what happens to the other person's car, not the damage that occurs for the individual who is insured, so I'm in a bad position here."

Car stereo equipment was a common choice by the alleged thieves.

"My friend's boyfriend's car was broken into," said a student walking the Stadium hallway to visit a friend. "They took an amplifier and a subwoofer. He had liability as well."

The incident changed some of the weekend plans for at least one of the victims.

"I was going to go to a movie tonight with friends," said a victim of the break-ins. "Now I'm going home to see if I can get a different car up here."

Now that students are going to take extra precautions, some believe the University needs to do the same.

"It would be nice if they would turn on the lights at night," one of the victims said. "Apparently, they were breaking into cars all over the lot, so it wouldn't matter where you parked."

Mike Kostecka, who is a resident of Stadium Apartments, was surprised about the activity.

"With 11 cars broken into, it's hard to believe that nobody would see the perpetrators doing it," Kostecka said. "It must have been really early in the morning."

The Stadium Apartments' Resident Advisors said that the police have contacted them about car prowls and they have begun to spread the word throughout the building.

"We have signs up about car thefts and we are going to put something about it in our newsletter for next week," said Sang Xiong, a Stadium R.A.

Meanwhile, Peterson and the campus police force remind everyone to report any suspicious activity they may see or hear about to 911.

"Anybody who may have information about crime on campus can call 726-7000 during the weekday business hours or dial 911 before 8:00 a.m., after 4:30 p.m. or during weekends," Peterson said. "Campus community members are also encouraged to report street lights [to facilities management] or parking lot lights [to parking services] found to be out of order so they can be fixed accordingly."

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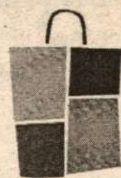
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A Minnesota Democrat earned a footnote in history Monday by casting one of the

state's 10 Electoral College votes for John Edwards, the Democratic vice presidential running mate for John Kerry. The Edwards vote apparent-

ly gives Minnesota its first ever "faithless elector," the name for Electoral College members who snub the candidate who won the state's popular vote in the

general election. Kerry, who beat President Bush in Minnesota, wound up with nine of the state's electoral votes.

No one claimed credit for the Edwards vote. Several electors said they suspected that someone unconsciously mixed up the two Johns on the ticket rather than purposefully making a political statement.

"I'm sure somebody made a mistake," said elector Michael Meurs of Bemidji. "I'm certainly glad that the Electoral College is not separated by one vote."

Bush is due to receive 286 electoral votes; Kerry was slated to get 252, but the Minnesota vote will reduce that total. It takes 270 votes to win the presidency.

Electors around the country meet in state capitols on the same day to vote. Democrats made up the Minnesota slate because Kerry received 1,445,014 votes to Bush's 1,346,695 in November.

Minnesota's voting began shortly after noon. Electors wrote their candidate's name on an 8 1/2-inch-by-11-inch sheet of paper and put the ballots in a pine box. Once all votes were in, Secretary of State Mary Kiffmeyer and an aide pulled them out, counted them and announced the total. A tally sheet was sent to Congress, which announces nationwide totals in January.

It may never be known who cast the Edwards ballot.

The ballots aren't signed. Kiffmeyer's office was seeking an attorney's opinion on whether documents related to the voting are public.

Kiffmeyer, a Republican, said she was shocked to see the Edwards vote when counting the ballots. She also thought that it was an error.

"It just shows the humanness of the process," she said. Even if an elector came forward to admit a mistake, it is too late to change the ballot, she said.

Edwards received all 10 Minnesota votes for vice president in a separate round of balloting.

Minnesota is not among the states where political parties require their electors to take formal pledges that they'll back the ticket. In some states, electors can be hit with fines and misdemeanor charges for bucking the popular vote.

Faithless electors are rare. The last case resembling the Minnesota balloting was in 1988, when a West Virginia elector voted for Democratic vice presidential candidate Lloyd Bentsen over presidential candidate Michael Dukakis. She then backed Dukakis for vice president.

The Web site of the non-profit Center for Voting and Democracy, which documents faithless electors in history, doesn't show any previous incidents involving Minnesota.

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UWS students approve funding for new student center

Center will cost \$24 million, chosen over renovation options

By KEITH GRAUMAN
STAFF REPORTER

Students at the University of Wisconsin Superior voted to increase their fees in order to fund a new student center.

Of the 2,598 students at UWS, 533 voted on the issue; about 20 percent of the student body.

"[20 percent] is actually a little bit more than we typically get," said Robert Schimke, president of the UWS Student Senate in a phone interview.

The students were given three options. The first was to increase student fees to pay for a completely new student center, a project that is being estimated at \$24 million.

The second option was to renovate the existing Rothwell Student Center, student fees would have been increased for this as well, but not by as much as the first option. The total cost for renovation was approximately \$16 million.

The third option allows

students to acknowledge that something needs to be done, but they also must be willing to leave the decision up to the administration.

There were 293 votes for building a new student center, 95 for renovating the existing building and 140 for the third option.

"There were only five ballots that were voided, for various reasons," said Schimke. "Mainly, people would check more than one box."

The voting itself took place from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Dec. 1 and 2, in the existing Rothwell Student Center. Schimke said they considered the idea of moving the polling station around to different areas of the campus in order to get a wider range of students to vote.

"We had talked about moving the polling station to different areas, trying to get more students to vote, because we have a lot of commuter students who don't typically use

this building during the course of their normal day. However, without being at every building for the same amount of time it would have appeared that the UWS Student Senate, who planned and oversaw the vote, was trying to single out certain groups of voters," said Schimke.

The student center had been an issue for quite a while.

"The discussion of Rothwell Student Center has been ongoing for several years," said Beth George, director of University Relations in a phone interview. "This is the second referendum that has come before the students."

The first vote, which took place last February, asked students if they would support the raising of student fees to build a new student center. However on the "yes or "no" ballot, the majority voted "no."

Schimke believes the main reason this referendum failed was because of miscommunication around campus.

"There were two or three different groups on campus that were promoting different information and students generally were just confused on exactly what the truth was," said Schimke.

After the first referendum was shot down the UWS Student Senate formed the Rothwell Student Center Planning Committee, which was supposed to assess the existing building further and bring about some new options for students on the issue.

"There had to be student support for this project, this

is our building and it was up to us to do what we wanted to do," said Schimke.

The building that stands today is outdated, according to Matthew Arthur, executive secretary of the Student Senate and the chair of the RSC Planning committee in a phone interview.

Arthur said that in order to attract prospective students to UWS their facilities must at least be able to compete with high schools if they want to compete with other colleges.

Arthur said that there are many student organizations on-campus that are in need of office space; a new student center could provide them with that space.

"It's the overall design of this building, we waste a gross amount of space, it's designed really weird, there's little wings jutting off everywhere, it's just not very user friendly," said Schimke.

Arthur said a lot of the problems with the RSC were unseen by many students. Their kitchen and snack bar has flooded numerous times, the roof leaks, tiles are coming up off of the floor and there were some problems with the existing infrastructure.

"The building is inadaptible for the future," said Schimke. "They didn't create enough space between the ceilings and the floors that can work to create new air conditioning ducts, update the electricity and update the plumbing."

"There are certain health codes and safety codes that are being violated in this building,

which would take upwards of \$10 million to bring it up to code," he said.

For that reason, it was inevitable that something was going to be done about the RSC.

"This is definitely something that will happen in the next two years and we're definitely happy about it," said Schimke.

UWS Chancellor Julius Erlenbach has approved the project.

Students will be a big part of planning what goes into the new student center.

"We'll develop a student-led committee that will help design the building how they want it," said Schimke.

Ever since the formation of the RSC Planning Committee, students have been the driving force behind this project. They decided how the voting was going to happen, facilitated the actual voting process and decided what options were going to be presented on the ballot, said Schimke.

"This second referendum was very much student driven," said George. "The students who were very much in favor of making sure there was some change for their student center, led the charge."

The UWS foundation has also pledged \$4 million to the project, said George.

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- Bertrand Russell

Our View

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All that stress

Does anybody even know that the holidays are only nine days away? Probably not. Why is that? Oh yeah, freaking finals.

Twice a year we put ourselves through this hell we call finals where we all think about dropping all our classes and quitting school.

For those procrastinators out there this is the worst part of the year. Right now people are in the library trying to finish up on last-minute class projects and studying for the final that they have the next day, a Saturday no less.

I'm sure there are also some people who are asking for extensions on their Independent Studies that they *still* haven't finished.

Besides finals, as hard as that is to think about right now, some people have to shop for holiday presents. How can anyone have time to find gifts for people when they can't even find time to take three finals in one day? Maybe going holiday shopping is a good excuse to take a break from all that studying. You can get out of the library for a while and still get something done.

Fortunately, this will pass. Finals will end and you will have no homework for almost a month. Some people will work the entire time, but how bad can that really be? You're still making money, right? Although maybe only enough to pay back the credit card debt you have from buying all those holiday presents.

So, when you are studying for that final in the class with the professor that drives you nuts, just remember: after finals, you are free. No studying, no homework and no one telling you what you have to get done. Though the holidays are approaching quickly, take a breather and remember that the agonizing pain of finals is over...until May.

Good luck.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Changing Composition 1120 would mean head start for students

Articulate students across the nation make strides into competitive careers. The University of Minnesota Duluth tries to give its students this ability by requiring an introductory composition class. Is this the best way for students to learn the art of real-life written communication?

The ability to write well would ideally permeate the life of the student. In order to make this a reality, the University should move away from traditional composition class requirements and work toward making classes within all the departments writing intensive.

Writing intensive classes would exercise students' abilities, making them stronger writers. Professors of writing intensive classes would loosely follow a curriculum for writing. In addition, they would give students insight about what worked for them as a writer. It is important to pass on traditional methods of writing as well as individual methods of writing. Giving students this broad range of methods allows them to choose what best suits each situation. Allowing students this freedom, while holding high standards causes mistakes. It therefore generates knowledge. Students would learn first-hand the importance of articulation.

While a class specifically dedicated to writing should not be required, there is value in having it as an option. Students not comfortable with their initial writing ability could take a class learning a more structured form of composition as well as the instructor's writing technique. Instead of having its own assignments the class should focus on the writing assignments for other classes. This allows the writing to not seem contrived. The student would also have personal

motivation for producing an articulate piece of writing. This type of instruction might take the form of a class or perhaps a writing help center. In either case the instruction should come from professors or instructors rather than teaching assistants.

College prepares students to enter a diverse and changing world. The effectiveness of written communication has withstood this test of time, though not with out being fluid and adaptable to different situations with power and confidence.

Summer Barton-Taylor
Freshman, CLA

The importance of Women's Studies programs

We are writing in response to Peter Carpenter's article "Women's Studies promotes sexism." Aside from the fact that Carpenter's article is one of the most poorly written, unprofessional diatribes we've had the displeasure to read, it is completely without merit.

We don't feel it is necessary for us to defend our choice of a Women's Studies degree or to illustrate for you the many ways we've utilized it. We will, however, tell you that both educationally and personally, having a Women's Studies degree has been an invaluable asset. We've taken all we learned from the WS program at UMD and applied it to further our studies, our careers, our creative endeavors and our personal development.

We both went on to receive master's degrees from women's colleges (and yes, women are far more likely to participate and not be silenced in women-only classrooms; we can attest to this from first-hand experience). The importance of Women's Studies programs

everywhere is vital, yet the field is constantly attacked and denigrated.

Neither of us remember this constant male bashing and finger pointing you repeatedly refer to. And if you aren't learning anything in your Women's Studies class, as you claim, you may want to reassess your role in your education. Part of learning includes what you bring to it and how willing you are to be open to learning. Writing everything off as "crap" and "garbage" just because you don't agree with the material isn't a mature or open-minded attitude.

Your closing paragraph claims that you don't mean to offend anyone, that you respect the WS program and faculty. But you can't possibly be sincere; your article is deeply offensive, juvenile and shows not only an utter lack of respect, but also an egregious lack of knowledge. We're proud of UMD's Women's Studies program and all we took away from it.

Amanda Hughes MacGregor
and Renee Mau Marek
UMD Alumni

The First Amendment often overlooked

Thank you for writing the article entitled "The Right to an Opinion" in the Editorial Section of the Thursday, Dec. 9, issue of the *Statesman*.

It was the best article I've read all year and, hopefully, taught people why the First Amendment was created in the first place.

For the first time in my four-year career here at UMD, I've realized the purpose of the *UMD Statesman*; which you brilliantly explained within the article. THANKS!

Mike Jechorek
SBE/CLA Senior

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Women's Studies: No laughing matter



By AMBER GLAWE
STAFF WRITER

"Hey guys, want to hear a joke? Women's Studies." In response to the blasphemous article "Women's Studies Promotes Sexism," the *Statesman* has received plenty of feedback. I can only wonder how a college-aged male could possibly feel justified in writing such garbage. I also happen to be taking an Introduction to Women's Studies course and could not disagree more with Mr. Carpenter. Women's Studies is not only beneficial, but also necessary within the collegiate setting.

Based on his experiences in one class, Carpenter's bashing of an entire department seems incredibly unintelligent, setting the tone for the rest of the article. Calling it "bullshit" does not help to prove a point, but only to express a speculative, immature opinion.

By taking an intro. course, a student gains an overall perspective of the field of study. "Opinions, stories and unfounded research" supposedly make up most of the material learned in Women's Studies. It's just a guess, but I have a feeling that the people who wrote those textbooks and teach those classes know a

thing or two about what they are doing. They likely have devoted their lives to this cause, have earned degrees and done research, while you, Mr. Carpenter, have not yet graduated college.

Sure, one could argue that more girls graduate high school and move on to higher education. That only means that overall, more women are taking advantage of opportunities than in the past. But it is not indicative that sexist social norms have changed. I have a feeling that there are very few males who have felt like a piece of meat while trying to learn as their teacher looks to their breasts, not their faces. Even as an elementary student, the gender difference was apparent. I did well in spelling bees, but I could never understand why so many female teachers were so proud to have a little girl beat all the boys and use her full potential.

If you don't understand this, turn on your TV. The American media does an excellent job of demonstrating how women are oppressed daily in our society. We are bombarded by images of women

being the "perfect size 6" every day and what good does it do? Many males have learned to expect this of women and many women strive to achieve this impossible goal. Think about it, boys. Would you date a "fat" girl? If no, then you are a part of the patriarchy that Women's Studies seeks to educate.

Ever heard of the "glass ceiling?" This phenomenon

many people and earn considerable pay.

If males feel so disadvantaged by having a program for women, then why hasn't something been done about it? It isn't as if it would be difficult to get a "Men's Studies" program started - oh, wait we already have that. It's called American History. And no, the point isn't to "whine and cry until women get a chapter in the history books." It is to realize the significant contribution women have made to our society. Suffrage is only one example of this. There are many aspects of history that lie untold and overlooked. Women's Studies is a place to learn the hidden history of an

your social frustrations within a classroom. We are all people and yes, feminism - as well as education - is for everybody.

For those of you who still think Women's Studies is a joke, I would encourage you to open your eyes and see what is happening around you. Statistics are just numbers that can be manipulated to mean whatever a person desires; stats are not needed to see what has been happening to women worldwide. In China, infant girls are often killed simply for not being male whereas little boys are called "Little Emperors." In Africa, FGM (female genital mutilation) is commonplace. AIDS is now most prevalent in females, especially in Africa. Women have come a long way, but are definitely not treated as equals.

Piss and moan all you want about how the administration spends money. WS is here and nowhere near leaving. The only way Women's Studies is flawed is that more open-minded men do not take the classes and voice their opinions.

I hope there is a day when I can sit in WS class alongside more than a handful of male peers and discuss the injustices our society once experienced. Until that day, the WS department will continue to educate willing minds about important topics and promote social change. Clearly, Women's Studies has a purpose; you simply need to have an open mind to understand it.

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is observable every day within our workforce. Women make considerably less than men. While the statistics may be arguable, it is real.

"So men make more money than women? Is there anything that can be done about this? Probably not, but you should still know this because it is on the test, not because it's important." Women should know this because, obviously, these days women have jobs - corporate jobs that influence

entire gender.

By deeming Women's Studies as sexist, the author misses the entire point of the class. Feminism, defined by legendary feminist bell hooks, is "a movement to end sexism, sexist exploitation and oppression." Nowhere in that definition does it say that women should be treated specially or superior to men. This definition is taught in those WS classes. Men, speak out if you'd like a place to express

Guest Column: My Mother and Mr. Carpenter

By ERIC GERHARD HOVE
GUEST COLUMNIST

My mother is worried about Mr. Peter Carpenter. I took the liberty of reading her Mr. Carpenter's opinion article, "Women's Studies Promotes Sexism." I had to call her early in the evening. She is a teacher; has been for 40 years. For 40 years she has woke with the expressed intention of helping children grow into well-rounded adults. As an educator she is concerned that Mr. Carpenter is wasting his time in his Women's Studies class. Humbly, she offers him this advice, "You can learn something from anything."

I don't think he should be too worried about what my mother thinks. She is, after all, a woman with a story that can neatly be summed up by Mr. Carpenter as "the kind of crap I learn in Women's Studies." My mother, Ann M. Hove, had to fight to be a teacher. Pointing to an automatic termination clause in her contract, the administration at her school district tried to muscle her out in 1972. The "reason" for termination was inside of her. My mother was pregnant with my older sister, Denise. In 1972, my mother was expected to resign when she discovered her pregnancy. The administration did not want pregnant women teaching children, fearing it would prompt too many embarrassing questions about birds, bees and the physical mechanics in between.

For some reason, she didn't think

fighting a contract that was contrary to her basic rights and freedoms was absurd. Refusing to resign, she brought her concerns to her local teacher's union. They didn't help. Maybe they thought then, like Mr. Carpenter claims to now, that worrying about the gender gap in worker benefits was absurd. The Minnesota Civil Liberties Union thought my mother had a case. Politely, I imagine, they called my mother's employers with their legal opinion. My mother and the Liberties Union would win a lawsuit, if it came to that. The district backed down and my mother kept her job.

There's no test on my mother's story. It must be ridiculous then. It must be boring. I wouldn't want to bore Mr. Carpenter by writing about how sad it is to blame an entire department for "how much" he didn't learn. I wouldn't want to bore Mr. Carpenter by questioning his operating definition of respect when he calls members of the faculty "clowns" he pays "to blow smoke up his ass." I wouldn't want to bore Mr. Carpenter and suggest he do a web search for the words "careers in Women's Studies" and count the results that include kinds of humanitarian work. I wouldn't want to bore Mr. Carpenter and cry that my mother, Ann M. Hove, deserves something as grandiose as mention in a history book. Just some space in a college newspaper to show that her son doesn't think the issues of justice and equality are absurd.

Is Hollywood a snapshot of the United States?

By UZAIR MUKADAM
STAFF WRITER

Hollywood has been a source of fascination for millions, if not billions, of people all over the world. For some it was a dream, for some just a source of entertainment. The most ostentatious film industry in the world has been the big daddy in terms of new ideas, innovations and film technology. While being the leader in world cinema, Hollywood is also seen as a reflection of what America is by the outside world.

America, to most outsiders, is what Hollywood portrays it to be. Most people do get a slight shock when they come here for the first time. Their preconceptions do not mesh with reality. Unfortunately, I don't think Hollywood does a good job of giving a clear-cut view to the outside world. I have met many people who share a common notion of America as being a laidback, party place. I can agree with the idea of America having a more laidback culture, especially when compared to some of the others. However, after living here for a few years I realize that's a misconception. This is not a downright party place; it is one country that encourages hard work and effort more than any other.

Again, I do not blame people for having this preconceived notion since the outside world sees a country for

what the media shows it to be. After 9/11 people started associating Muslims with terrorism; again the media played a big hand in that portrayal.

Similarly, Hollywood shows all these high school movies, whose theme usually is around partying, and even in more serious movies, where sex is shown at times just for ticket sales and has hardly anything to do with the storyline. For example, in the action-thriller "Fair Game," there was hardly any need to put in a sex scene when the lead couple was running from a group of international terrorists. The last thing on a sane person's mind when running for his life would be to take a short break and bang. Scenes like these unfortunately portray the wrong image. For an outsider, the first image of America that comes to mind is not very positive.

I think Hollywood should take more responsibility about the movies it makes, as they create or destroy the image of America. A foreign viewer's perception of America is greatly influenced by whatever Hollywood dishes out to the audience. Audiences would appreciate good movies with rational sense and without vulgarities. For those who don't, not much needs to be said about what goes on in their minds.

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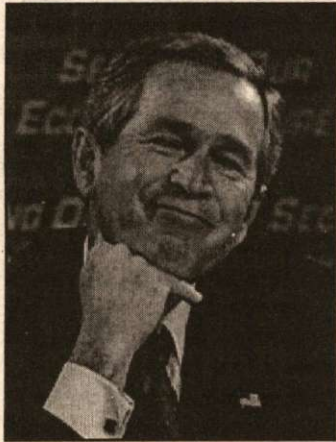
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If George Bush *were* a cowboy



AP PHOTO

By AMY FORSELL
HUMOR EDITOR

If George W. Bush were a cowboy, or at least had the delusion that he was (but that would never happen, of course), everyone in the world would have to play along.

If we didn't cooperate, we'd be like the mean big brother who tells their younger siblings that Santa isn't real and we wouldn't want that.

We would have to work together as a nation so that George's cowboy dream could come true, no matter what it took.

First, George would need an intimidating, sexy cowboy name. But, because it's biologically impossible for him to be either intimidating or sexy, we'd have to call him "Dubya." He'd get his own saddle for his pony (it couldn't be a horse because Dubya would probably fall off once it started to gallop away yonder). This would be a very special saddle because it would have his name embroidered on it. This

is so that all the other kids who want Dubya's awesome saddle are reminded that it's his (like writing a child's name on their lunch box).

The second and most important step in making Dubya a cowboy is getting him into a cowboy outfit fit for any John Wayne or Billy the Kid. However, Dubya would certainly throw a fit when he was told that he couldn't have spurs on his boots (sharp, "danger if swallowed" objects are a no-no for Dubya). He'd be comforted though, when he gets his very own shiny gun. It would have his name engraved on the barrel and the handle would be of a manly American flag pattern. Pulling the trigger would set off a loud popping noise and release a small puff of smoke. No one would ever tell Dubya that it's not real, though. Every time he took it out of the holster, we'd all have to say, "Uh oh...don't shoot, Mr. Dubya, don't shoot" and then when he puts his six-shooter back into his stiff, leather holster, we'd have to say, "Whew, Dubya. I'm awful glad you didn't shoot."

But, of course, Dubya wouldn't be content as a cowboy who doesn't get to have a real live gun duel in the middle of a dusty, Texas town. It would have to be set up a few times a year so that Dubya could say, "Draw!" and fire his little pistol. The country would save money because they wouldn't have to pay a decent actor to play the part of Dubya's nemesis - "the bad guy." A corny hand to the

chest, a moan and a stagger to the ground by literally anyone that agreed to do it, would be enough to convince Dubya that he'd won the draw. And if, at the last minute, the actor cancelled on Dubya, we could just replace him with one of those inflatable clowns with the sand in the bottom (I think they're called Bobo dolls).

Then, as the horizon breaks apart into a million shades of red and the tumbleweeds roll by, we'd all have to put Dubya up on our shoulders and buy him a round of non-alcoholic beer (or breast milk - whichever he prefers).

Finally, as Dubya climbs atop his stallion and tips his hat to the blushing ladies, someone will have to be responsible for clipping one of those telephone cord things that you attach to your child in a busy grocery store, to his wrist. Dubya will resist because he's a big boy, after all, but you just tell him that it's a cool bracelet and that all the bravest cowboys wear them.

As quickly as he came breezing into our lives, off he'll go, to the next lil' place that needs him to protect it. We'll all have to sigh and say, "Golly, Dubya, we wish you weren't goin'," but like a true hero, he'll ignore our praises and, turning his sweaty face to the southern sun, he'll ride out of our lives - until next year, when the whole damn process has to be repeated.

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Salutations, Terry

Necessary advice for everyday living

Dear Terry,

I have a problem that I think you can help me with. Recently my boyfriend has grown a beard and I hate it. The problem is that he is in love with his beard and won't shave it. He was so cute before and now he just looks like my dad or a woodsman. How can I get him to shave it?

Woodsman's Girlfriend

Dear WG,

I understand where you're coming from completely on this one. Kissing a face with a mangled mess of dead hair isn't the most sexy thing one can imagine doing in front of a fireplace or at the movies. If you're content with kissing such a mug, why not make out

with Danny DeVito's stomach? Seriously.

My first recommendation is to ask your man what possessed him to ditch the Mach 3 and go for the fur. Maybe his face is just really cold on those blistering days in Duluth and his reverse mane serves as a warmer for his chin (if this is true, buy him a scarf post haste). Maybe he made a secret bet with the fraternity you didn't know he belonged to and there are actually secret cameras on the two of you all the time and intoxicated 20-something goons with too much money on their hands are constantly watching you. Who knows?

You can take many routes to get the woodsman to nix the bird's nest attached to his previously handsome face.

First and foremost, take

the old "if you don't shave, neither will I" path - and stick to it. No matter what a guy says, he's totally grossed out by spidery leg hair, fuzzy pits and, well, you know where else he might be a bit perturbed to find follicles running wild. This will get him to shave, if not right away, eventually. It might make you feel slightly nauseous and your friends may stop talking to you and little balls of deodorant may form at the tips of your newly grown strands, but persevere. It will pay off.

You could also do a little bit of history work and point out that some of the world's most yucky beings touted beards in their lifetime. From Mussolini to Osama bin Laden to Al Gore after he lost (won?) the election, there's a wide collection of ornery fellows that have

grown facial hair to hide their wrinkled identities from the world. You don't want your man to be one of them, do you? Make him realize that beards equal one of two things: pure, satanic evil or pathetic signs of self-reinvention after a horrid failure.

Finally, if the wiener insists on looking like Paul Bunyan, you must force him to behave as such. Don't waver on this, WG. Make the dog cut trees until the sun sets. He'll tell you he can't do that because he has to go to class, but you just tell him, "Well, Mr. Bunyan, you gots tree fallin' and choppin' to do. We gotta' put food on this here table." It would be especially awesome if you convinced him to go chopping away at Chester Park or right smack dab in the middle of Canal Park. He'd get ar-

rested, but then he'd realize what kind of life a lumberjack leads, wouldn't he?

I sincerely hope the savage brute wakes up to smell the coffee (or the rancid crumbs that fell into the netting of his beard three days ago and are now starting to smell). You deserve the boyish, fine-tastic face you signed the contract with.

Salutations,
Terry

P.S. This is our second real question of the year! Keep 'em coming!



Well, kids, we made it through a whole semester together. I'll be in Reno doing a naked stand-up routine over break, but will be accepting your questions always. salutations_terry@yahoo.com.

Random Genius

A private moment with Kevin Smlak

If I ever go to the hospital and they want to remove my tapeworm, I'll tell them, "Hell no! There's no way you will ever take Steve away from me!" Because Steve is his name. He is my pet tapeworm. Then I will say, "Just tell me what tapeworms like to eat and PISS OFF!" "Don't you worry, Steve, I won't let them take you out and put you in a cold jar. Now you get yourself some rest. I love you, Steve." And I know that he loves me too. Because he will hug me. From the inside.

Top Ten Signs You Partied Too Hard Last Night

By John Koepp

1. You wake up in a Mexican village and a little boy is calling you "papa."
2. You've got two tattoos - a "B" on your right ass cheek, a "B" on your left ass cheek and everyone's calling you Bob.
3. By the time you wake up, it's time to drink again.
4. Your best friend's mom made you breakfast in bed.
5. Your call log shows the number to Bert's Animal Shelter (which would explain that special someone in your bed).
6. The marker on your face reads "We need to talk! Love, Mom."
7. Your bathtub is full of ice, your kidney is missing and "Love Hurts" is playing on the radio.
8. There's a rubberband around your balls, a saddle strapped on your back and a cowboy hat on the floor next to a pair of panties.
9. In your pockets you find four things - a used condom, your ex-girlfriend's phone number, her best friend's phone number and \$20.
10. Jail isn't so bad after all.

UNDECIDED by Trevor Klueg @2004 He!

I can't follow your comic anymore. My ADD kicked in way too fast. Yeah, I think I'll just wait for the web comic on that one.

So, what's the plan for the last issue of the Semester?

Well, to make up for lost time I have made the Holiday Hate List of 2004! Problems that need addressing in our humble university.

- 1.) Any joke with Chancellor Martin is getting old. Yes, even comedy must evolve at some point.
- 2.) The Swenson building is located on a sacred burial site for dumbass children with too much freetime. The battle rages on!
- 3.) That Mr. Carpenter is never going to get laid again. Making fun of women's studies on the school paper? Gez, does he want Oprah on his ass?
- 4.) Finals on a Saturday? Talk about dropping the ball on that one!
- 5.) All you people with surveys to fill are horrible demons!
- 6.) And last, the new Mike & Ike bags get stuck in the vending machine. What was wrong with the box? Seriously, Willy Wonka or whoever can go straight to Hell!

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"How, given the canine teeth and close-set eyes that declare the human animal to be a predator, had we come up with the notion that oat bran is more natural to eat than chicken?"

-- Valerie Martin

BIG BUCK CONTEST

The much-anticipated Winners' Showcase of the University of Minnesota Duluth's most talented (or luckiest) deer hunters

Stories and photos were judged in a completely unscientific manner by the *Statesman* staff. Direct any concerns ("Why didn't I win?") to us and we'll be happy to discuss the matter with you over a cold brew. Many thanks to all who submitted photos and stories; we regret that we don't have the space to print them all. Every deer entered is worthy of a place on the wall of a den or rec-room somewhere. Congratulations on some beautiful bucks!

JESSIE HANSON: GRAND PRIZE

\$20 Gander Mountain Gift-Card

By JESSIE HANSON

It seemed like I'd been sitting in that tree forever. Maybe not forever; six years, to be exact. I've been deer hunting since I was 14. I got my first deer by the grace of my antlerless permit when I was 16. I swore that I was going to get a buck the next time. Nothing huge, just something with antlers that I could put on the wall and point to. I've spent countless hours for the six seasons since then, waiting, watching, shivering, hoping to see something with horns. Nothing ever came my way.

There was one spot on my uncle's 80-acre woodlot that just seemed charmed. I'd never been skunked there. I'd always see something, at least a doe or fawn. But somehow, there was also a series of unfortunate incidents (my dad and uncle callously call them "mistakes") that prevented me from shooting any of the bucks I saw there. A chopper dropped on the snow, an empty chamber in the rifle... that sort of thing. We call it Heartbreak Hill.

It was a warm Saturday morning this November. I positioned myself in my favorite stand on Heartbreak Hill. My uncle took up a post down the trail to the west of me. My dad was circling around to the north to make a drive back towards us. I double-checked the chamber,

removed my right mitten and waited.

I'd nearly abandoned hope that after six years, this would finally be the day. And then I heard him. Crashing through the brushy edge of the meadow adjoining the woodlot, chasing a hot doe, came a buck. Not just a spiker, but a very good-sized buck. I pulled my rifle to my shoulder and snapped off a shot. I hit him! I knew it! He limped by me and I fired again. Then I managed to jam the rifle and before I could get in a shot that would drop him, he circled back into the heavy brush and I could see only his rack. I was wary of shooting into obstructing brush; after all, my dad was still back there somewhere. The buck spurted out of the brush, across the meadow and headed (with a visible limp) right toward my uncle. I heard Daven's rifle crack twice and I knew my buck was down.

Dad rejoined me and we walked back to see what the buck looked like. A nice, regular, respectable 8-pointer. After a mild dispute over whose it was ("Your shot downed it, Daven." "First blood means it's yours, Jess."), I tagged it and proudly posed for pictures. After achieving a Master's degree in tree-stand waiting, I got my buck!



JESSIE HANSON/GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

MATTHEW SCHILLING: RUNNER-UP

\$10 Gander Mountain Gift-Card

By MATTHEW SCHILLING

It was Saturday, Oct. 2, the third weekend of bowhunting and the third time that I had been out in my bow stand. I had seen deer earlier in the year at this stand and passed up two nice does on the opening Saturday in hopes of getting a shot at something bigger. As chance would have it that is exactly what happened.

On Saturday evening, Oct. 2, I was sitting in my stand as it was just getting towards dusk, thinking that I was going to get skunked and not see a deer. Then, suddenly, I heard something to the left of my stand.

As I looked over in that direction I saw three bucks walk out of the brush 20 yards from my stand. Two of the bucks proceeded to walk away into

the brush and out of sight. However, one decided to stay by my stand for a little while. I drew my bow back and waited for him to turn broadside and present me with a kill shot. (At this time he was quartering towards me). After what seemed like forever he finally turned broadside, giving me the shot I was waiting for at 20 yards. I let my arrow go and the buck crouched in reaction to my string. I thought for sure then that I had shot over his back, but I had actually managed to hit him in the spine dropping him right where he stood. I knew then that I had just bagged the biggest buck that I had ever seen.

In my six years of hunting this was by far the best and most memorable hunt in my life.



MATTHEW SCHILLING/GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Matthew shot this 10 point 17-pound buck on Oct. 2, the third weekend of bowhunting. The deer had a 19-inch inside spread.

Those who submitted a photo and want it back can pick it up in the *Statesman* office.

Watch the *Statesman's* Outdoors page for more contests and reader-submitted stories. And just because we're not dangling prizes in front of you, don't think we don't want your stories and pictures.

Send them at any time to:

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HONORABLE MENTIONS



CARL J. BRYAN/GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Carl J. Bryan (right) shot this nine-pointer on the last day of the Wisconsin deer season.



SCOTT MOEN/GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

This 10-point buck weighed in at 215 pounds. Scott Moen took it near Brainerd, Minn., this year on opening morning.



NICK SACCO/GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

This entry, from Nick Sacco, wins the "Blurriest Photo Award." Very nice deer, though.



MATTHEW HANDEGAARD/GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

This typical eight-pointer, taken by Matthew Handegaard, scored 135 5/8 Boone & Crockett.

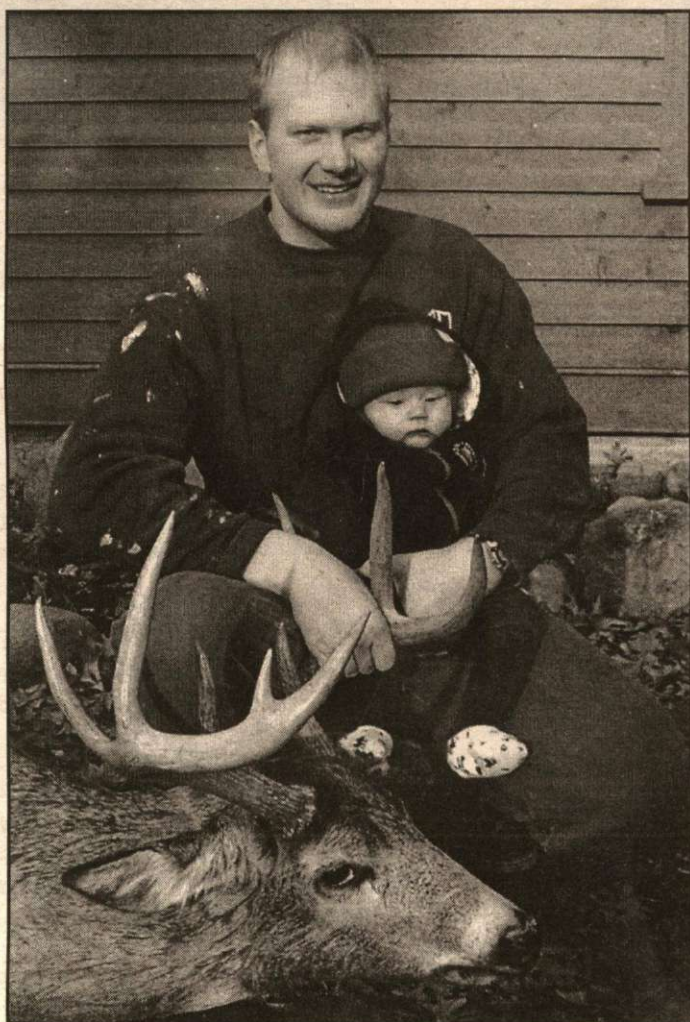


LONDON POHL/GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Landon Pohl killed this massive buck four years ago hunting with his family. The buck scored 163 Boone & Crockett and has a 23.5 inch inside spread.

"My dad has told me several times that there is no point in going hunting any more, since I will never see a deer like that again," said Pohl.

The buck also won first place in the State Fair Deer Classic under the "First Buck" category.



JASON KERSKA/GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

This large nine-pointer, which sports an 18-inch inside spread, was taken by Jason Kerska near Minong, Wisc. He is pictured with his three-month-old son, Hunter.

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from the Statesman

Plan your own 'Rockin' New Year's Eve'

By LIBBY HARRIS
STAFF REPORTER

New Year's Eve is one of the most highly anticipated nights of the year. With Dec. 31 just a few weeks away, many UMD students are scrambling to make plans for ringing in the New Year.

Even with the grandmaster of the holiday feeling a bit under the weather ("Rockin' New Year's Eve" host Dick Clark recently suffered a stroke), people are looking for various ways to celebrate the arrival of 2005.

While many UMD students will opt to go to parties or hang out with friends, the Duluth area nightlife will be offering a variety of entertainment choices for the holiday.

A number of local venues are joining in the holiday spirit. Fitger's Tap Room will be celebrating the arrival of 2005 with a night of live music. Their New Year's Bash will be one of the hot places for the night. The night features favorite local bands and the bash is sure to please.

Trampled by Turtles (TBT)

will be playing their signature blue-grass music which has been hailed by the *Ripsaw* for their "excellent musicianship and songwriting skills."

The band was also honored as a nominee for the best blue-grass band in Minnesota.

Joining TBT on stage is another locally admired band, The Dukes of Hubbard.

The alternative country band is known for its unique sounds and "high-energy instrumental jams" according to the *Duluth News Tribune*.

The event starts at 9:30

p.m. and runs well into the new year. Tickets are \$7 for students. For more information call 722-0061.

Another local event is the Renegade Comedy Theatre's New Year's Eve Gala. Ten dollars buys students a ticket to the event, a glass of champagne (a bargain already) and door-prizes. The event offers an alternative to the "bar scene."

According to Executive Producer Brian Matuszak, "The New Year's Eve Gala is special because in addition to seeing the comedy revue with a full

house and a rowdy audience, patrons get chances to win fabulous prizes donated by local businesses and we have champagne available in the lobby right after the performance."

So if students want something fun to do that isn't in a noisy bar or super expensive, they can come on down in jeans and a sweatshirt, possibly win a prize and have a great time.

"The show is done by 10:30 p.m., so there is enough time to

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Students resolve not to make New Year's resolutions

By RACHEL SKELTON
STAFF REPORTER

As 2004 draws to a close, UMD students and faculty are reflecting on the year's achievements and failures and looking forward to the promise of a new year and a new beginning.

Many are also racking their brains to come up with their New Year's resolutions that will help them spring toward self-improvement in 2005.

People make resolutions for several reasons. Many make them sincerely with determination to change a bad habit, while others want to begin to do something they know they should be doing.

Some of us keep our resolutions for a few days, some for several weeks or months and some keep New Year's resolutions indefinitely.

There are rarely very many of those goal-oriented and committed individuals.

You may be asking yourself why we feel compelled to make resolutions when we very seldom actually keep them? So this year, just to put a little twist on the tradition, UMD students and faculty explained

what they will NOT be resolving and the results were quite amusing.

A popular response was to go against the traditional dieting/exercising resolution.

"I will not be making a resolution to eat less chocolate," said Jenny Lange. "That just isn't going to happen."

Matt Sauter echoed this by saying, "I'm not going to eat healthier foods."

Chelsea Rains-Vega thought about the question for awhile before she honestly answered, "I won't make one to exercise more...well, all right, I won't make a resolution to start exercising because I know it will be broken almost immediately."

A common response from the male gender was not resolving to visit the weight room on a regular basis.

"It's hard to fit it into my schedule," explained Ben Eckhoff.

Kristie Sadowski boldly said, "I am not making a resolution to lose weight, because I'm happy where I'm at."

Others had academics on their mind when they answered.

"To stop skipping classes," said Jenny Harrington. "I know I would never even bother making that resolution."

A plethora of UMD students also responded that they would not make a resolution to study more.

Drinking and partying responses were also quite frequent.

"I'll drink less...that's a laugh," said Tarna Squires with a smile.

Paul Holtan admitted that he could never make the resolution to stop embarrassing himself at parties.

Jamie Halverson added a little comedy when she jokingly replied, "I will not resolve to wake up in the morning in my bed naked and not know who the naked person lying next to me is."

Many interviewees selected things that they know they could never keep.

"I could never resolve to stop swearing," said Sarah Eckert.

Christy Anderson replied, "To watch less TV will never be one of my New Year's resolutions."

"To save money," sighed Jessica Jongquist. "I like spending it too much."

Jenna Baumann did not have to hesitate when she quickly told me, "I cannot stop procrastinating no matter what."

Mandi Moser replied, "I will not resolve to stop distracting my roommates from their schoolwork when I have work to do myself because I'll just do it anyway, just ask them."

Ginny Schollmeier said, "I cannot resolve to not clean up after people because it drives me crazy when things are messy."

Jess Leiding sheepishly told me about the speeding ticket she received over Thanksgiving break, and answered, "I cannot seem to stop speeding."

Many students and faculty informed me that they do not even make New Year's resolutions for themselves.

UMD English Professor Yvonne Pelletier is one of these faculty members.

"I don't make resolutions, but if I did, I would not make any of those cliché resolutions, such as going on a diet or to

quit smoking, even though I don't smoke," said Pelletier.

New Year's Day is one of our oldest holidays, as well as the only day of special meaning that is celebrated throughout the world, although not every culture observes New Year's Day on Jan. 1.

Making resolutions originated when the ancient Babylonians began the idea as a way to start the year off with a clean slate by returning borrowed items. In fact, we often say that in the New Year we are "turning over a new leaf."

This New Year's, instead of making resolutions you know you cannot possibly keep, recognize those that you will not make and save yourself the disappointment and anguish of breaking yet another New Year's resolution.

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Amy Forsell, the Statesman Humor editor, resolves not to make any New Year's resolutions involving giving up food, especially her favorite cuisine, pepperoni pizza.

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SHOWTIMES

12/17-12/19

LAKES 10

Shall We Dance? (PG-13)
1:05, 3:05, 5:05

Bridget Jones: The Edge of
Reason (R)
7:20, 9:30

Polar Express (G)
12:50, 2:55, 5:00, 7:05, 9:20

Ocean's Twelve (PG-13)
1:00, 1:30, 3:50, 4:20, 6:40,
7:05, 9:10, 9:35

Lemony Snicket's a Series of
Unfortunate Events (PG)
12:55, 1:25, 3:55, 4:25, 6:45,
7:10, 9:05, 9:30

Spanglish (Pg-13)
1:15, 3:45, 6:55, 9:30

Finding Neverland (PG)
12:45, 2:55, 5:05, 7:15, 9:25

Christmas with the Kranks
(PG)
1:20, 3:20, 5:20, 7:20, 9:20

The Incredibles (PG)
1:15, 3:45, 6:45, 9:10

CINEMA 8

After the Sunset (PG-13)
1:10, 3:10, 5:10, 7:10, 9:10

Closer (R)
1:00, 3:05, 5:10, 7:15, 9:20

The SpongeBob SquarePants
Movie(PG)
1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00

Saw (R)
1:05, 3:10, 5:15, 7:20, 9:25

National Treasure (PG)
1:00, 3:30, 7:00, 9:30

Blade: Trinity (R)
1:00, 3:40, 7:00, 9:20

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TV host, legend Dick Clark has stroke

Clark in high spirits, doctors hope for a full, speedy recovery

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Dick Clark was hospitalized
this week after suffering a mild

stroke.
Clark, who turned 75 on

Nov. 30, suffered a stroke this week, publicist Paul Shefrin said Wednesday, declining to give any details. He would only say Clark had been hospitalized in the Los Angeles area.

The entertainer, who went from hosting "American Bandstand" to game shows and producing awards ceremonies, is scheduled to host ABC's "Dick Clark's New Year's Rockin' Eve 2005" on Dec. 31. It will be his 33rd year welcoming in the new year.

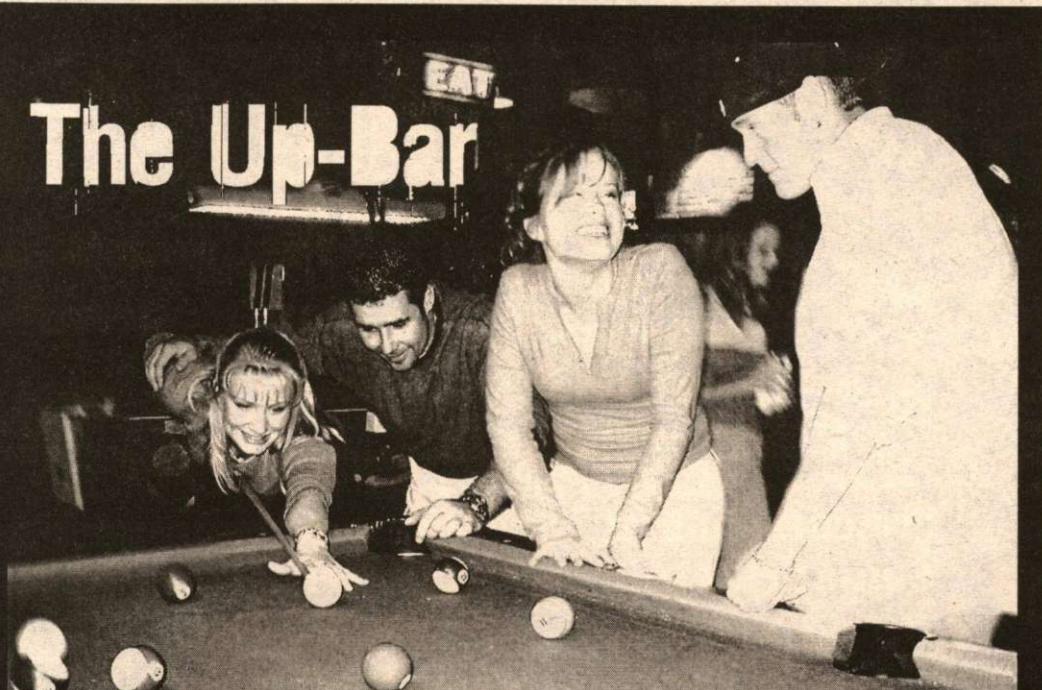
"The doctors tell me I should be back in the swing of things before too long so I'm hopeful

to be able to make it to Times Square to help lead the country in ringing in the new year once again," Clark said in a statement Wednesday.

Shefrin would only say Clark "is recuperating" and that there's no cause for alarm. Clark disclosed last year that he has diabetes.

Clark produces the American Music Awards, Academy of Country Music Awards and Golden Globes Awards.

Regis Philbin is tentatively scheduled to fill-in if Clark is not healthy enough.



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HOLIDAY: Clubs in the Twin Cities and Duluth plan parties

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go ring in the new year somewhere else, if they'd like," said Matuszak.

The show begins at 7 p.m. For more information, call the Renegade at 218-722-6775.

Clubs in the Twin Cities offer even more New Year's events to check out this year.

The Quest, a popular nightclub in Minneapolis, is featuring Rhythmus music.

The Quest's Web site describes it as "The real hip-hop experience with the new and old funk soul."

Minors need not attend - the show is 21+.

Tickets are \$15 for the 10

p.m. main stage show.

For more information call 612-338-3383 or visit www.thequestclub.com.

Twin Cities radio station Cities 97 is hosting their annual New Year's Eve show at the Minneapolis Hyatt Regency.

Beginning at 8 p.m., the concert features Tim Mahoney, Dazy Head Mazy, Root City Band and Flavor & Grayson. For ticket information call 952-417-3000.

Another radio station, the alternative Drive 105, is hosting Station 4's (in St. Paul) New Year's Eve party. They will be featuring Olympic Hopefuls, Panoramic Blue, Romantica and Montreal.

The show begins at 8 p.m. and tickets cost \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Driving directions and more information is available by calling 651-298-0173.

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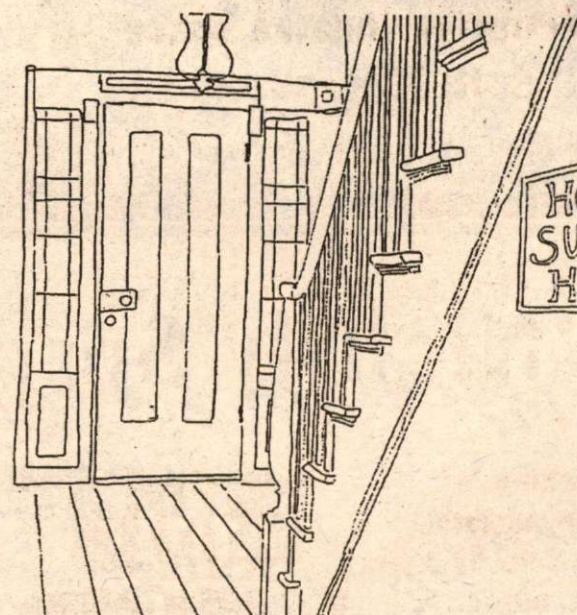
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Holiday TV programs to watch for

Animated classics, movies, music specials bring holiday cheer

By LYNN ELBER
AP TELEVISION WRITER

It's come to this: Even Frosty has a DVD out.

"Frosty the Snowman" is among the cartoons included in the newly released "The Original Television Christmas Classics." Is the TV tradition of packing December with hours of holiday nostalgia over?

Nope.

Broadcasters and cable channels still believe in the season's magical power to attract viewers - even the umpteenth showing of "It's a Charlie Brown Christmas" with commercials.

While tradition is pre-eminent, there are a few twists to be found. "A Christmas Carol," a musical version of Dickens' tale of a second chance at life, wins instant-TV classic status. Repeating on NBC Dec. 24, after its November debut, the production stars Kelsey Grammer as a worthy Scrooge.

Among the highlights (all

times EST; check local listings for encore airings):

ANIMATION:

"The Story of Santa Claus," 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, CBS. The voices of Edward Asner, Betty White and Tim Curry are heard in this tale of a toymaker and his wife evicted from their shop by a mean landlord.

MOVIES:

"Too Cool for Christmas," 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, here! TV. A teenager (Brooke Nevin) finds holiday spirit with Santa (George Hamilton) and her two dads in the gay and lesbian channel's first original program.

"The Santa Clause" on "The Wonderful World of Disney," 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 23, ABC. Tim Allen has a close encounter with Mr. Claus and finds himself in a new line of work.

"A Christmas Story," 8 p.m., Friday, Dec. 24, TBS. The annual 24 hour-marathon of Jean Shepherd's heartwarming and wry tale.

"A Christmas Carol," 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 24, NBC. A Hallmark Entertainment musical version of Dickens' classic tale stars Kelsey Grammer and features Jason Alexander and Jane Krakowski.

STOCKING STUFFERS:

"Jingle Ball Rock '04," 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, Fox. Holiday-themed performances from pop stars, including Avril Lavigne, who also perform current hits.

"Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir," 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 24, PBS. Frederica von Stade and Bryn Terfel join the choir for sacred and secular holiday songs and carols from around the world.

"A Home for the Holidays," 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 22, CBS. Jamie Foxx hosts a special intended to celebrate and raise awareness of adoption. Ashlee Simpson and Black Eyed Peas are scheduled to perform.

"Night of Joy," 8 p.m. Thurs-

day, Dec. 23, Pax. Christian and gospel music performed by Michael W. Smith, Steven Curtis Chapman, CeCe Winans, Jars of Clay, Jump 5 and others. Kirk Franklin hosts.

AULD LANG SYNE:

"Miffy's Happy New Year," 10:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 27, Noggin. A gust of wind threatens a plan by Miffy the bunny and friend Melanie to hold a big party celebrating the new year; can they succeed?

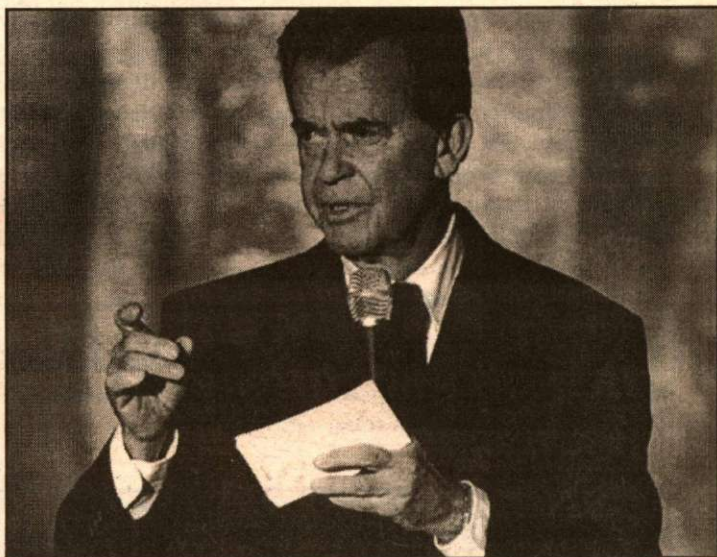
"New Year's Eve with Carson Daly," 10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31, NBC. Performers Duran Duran, Avril Lavigne and Maroon 5 and guests including Donald Trump help Daly welcome in 2005.

"Dick Clark's Primetime New Year's Rockin' Eve 2005"

and "Dick Clark's New Year's Rockin' Eve 2005," 10 p.m. and 11:35 p.m., respectively, Friday, Dec. 31, ABC. Clark marks his 33rd year producing the program.

Due to Clark's recent stroke and hospitalization, Regis Philbin is tentatively scheduled to take over hosting the show, if Clark is not healthy enough.

"New Year's Eve Special On Fox," 11 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31, Fox. Ryan Seacrest hosts a celebration from New York City, with celebrity interviews and performers at Planet Hollywood.



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Dick Clark, usually a reliable date on New Year's, may miss this year's show due to a stroke.

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Movie comes frustratingly 'close'

By MIKE DUBEROWSKI
STAFF REPORTER

Mike Nichols' "Closer" opens with Jude Law and Natalie Portman walking toward each other down a busy London sidewalk. In the background, we hear Damien Rice's moody song, "The Blower's Daughter," repeat the lyrics "I can't take my eyes off of you."

Those eight words seem to perfectly describe Nichols' movie. It has a unique, intriguing power to hypnotize its audience even if, in the end, it's not a great film.

There's no denying that "Closer" is a well-acted film, with one of the finest ensemble casts of the year.

Law plays Dan, an obituary writer with undeniable charm and a tendency to lie. During a photo shoot, Dan meets Anna (Julia Roberts), a photographer who has given up in her search to find happiness. Law becomes attracted to Anna, but is already in a relationship with Alice (Portman), a stripper.

Dan can't get Anna off of his mind and even pretends to be her on an online sex chat room. Larry (Clive Owen) is on the other side of the chatting and becomes seduced by Dan's attempt to be Anna.

As it nears an end, Dan decides to play a practical joke on Larry by asking if they

can meet at the aquarium the next day.

Larry does go to the aquarium and, for some reason, Anna is there. Before long the misunderstanding forms into a relationship.

Eventually Larry and Anna get married and Dan and Alice continue to date. But with the exception of Larry, no one is in the relationship that they want. What follows is a series of lust, lies and affairs.

As one should expect, "Closer" is not exactly the date movie of the year, nor is it the feel-good movie of the year.

But what Nichols' film is, is a patient, truthful and very slow examination of the difficulty of finding true love.

The story is not extraordinary, but the sharp dialogue could earn screenwriter Patrick Marber a Best Adapted Screenplay Oscar® nomination (it's based on a play, also written by Marber).

If anyone deserves a nomination for "Closer," it's Portman. She gives a daring and powerful performance proving that she is much more than just a pretty face. She makes Alice feel more genuine than any other character in the film.

Nichols, who also received acclaim for his made-for-TV movies such as "Angels in

America," deserves much of the credit for making "Closer" work.

And yet, I don't feel that

"Closer" is deserving of all the acclaim it has received.

It's a wonderfully acted and beautifully shot film, but it

always feels like something is missing. *Grade: B*

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Holiday recipes from the *Statesman* staff

TURTLES

From the kitchen of Janet and Katy Stawnychy
Contributed by Kieren Sell, Student Life Editor

1 Bag of Rold Gold Buttered Checkers (pretzels)
1 Bag of Rolos
1 Bag of pecans

On paper plate, place pretzels down and Rolos on top. Heat in microwave 20-30 seconds until Rolos are soft and melted. Put wax paper on a cookie sheet and transfer pretzels to it. Smash pecan onto Rolos. Let set for five hours or one to two hours in the fridge.

RITZ COOKIES

From the kitchen of D. Otto
Contributed by Maddy Otto, Head Copy Editor

Ritz crackers
Peanut butter
Vanilla almond bark

Warm-up almond bark in microwave until spreadable/melted. Slather peanut butter between two Ritz crackers. Dip cracker "sandwich" in vanilla almond bark. Put cookies on wax paper. Let set for a long time - Refrigerate if possible.

SOUR CREAM COOKIES AND BUTTER ICING

From the kitchen of Nora Bush
Contributed by Erin Hawkins, Staff Reporter

2 c. sugar	1 c. butter
1 c. sour cream	3 eggs
1 tsp. vanilla	4 c. flour
1 tsp. baking soda	1/4 tsp. salt

Sift dry ingredients together. Beat the rest of the ingredients together until smooth and add dry ingredients. Mix well and chill overnight if

possible. Using part of dough and keeping rest chilled, lightly roll dough to desired thickness. Rub flour into rolling pin cover and cloth to prevent sticking. Cut out cookies with cookie cutters and bake at 350 degrees for 8-10 minutes.

Butter Icing

2 1/2 tbsp. soft butter
1 1/2 c. sifted confectioners' sugar
1 1/2 tbsp. cream (or milk)
3/4 tsp. vanilla

Blend butter and sugar together. Stir in cream and vanilla until smooth. Makes icing for four dozen cookies.

GINGER SNAPS

From the Nadeau family kitchen
Contributed by Abby Nadeau, Editor in chief

1 1/2 c. shortening (3 sticks)	2 c. sugar
2 eggs	1/2 c. molasses
4 c. flour	2 tsp. cinnamon
1/2 tsp. salt	2 tsp. ginger
1 tsp. cloves	4 tsp. baking soda

Blend shortening, sugar and eggs. Sift the rest. Then mix all together. Bake at 350 degrees for 10 minutes.

APPLE SNICKER SALAD

From the kitchen of Rhonda Greder
Contributed by Andy Greder, News Editor

3 Granny Smith apples (diced)
3 regular size Snicker bars (frozen and chopped into small pieces)
1 small box instant vanilla pudding
1 8-ounce container of Cool Whip

Mix dry pudding into the cool whip. Add diced apples and chopped snicker bars. Refrigerate leftovers.

CHOCOLATE CRINKLES

From the kitchen of the Berglund family
Contributed by Jaime Berglund, Assistant News Editor

3/4 c. shortening
1 c. brown sugar
2 squares Hershey's all natural baking chocolate (melt chocolate with a little butter in a sauce pan on VERY low heat or use microwave)
1 egg
2 c. flour
1/2 tsp. baking powder
1/4 tsp. baking soda
1/2 tsp. salt
1 tsp. vanilla

Mix shortening, brown sugar, chocolate, egg and vanilla. Mix all dry ingredients in a separate bowl, then combine with wet ingredients. Roll into balls, then roll in sugar. Bake at 350 degrees for about eight minutes.

Happy Holidays!

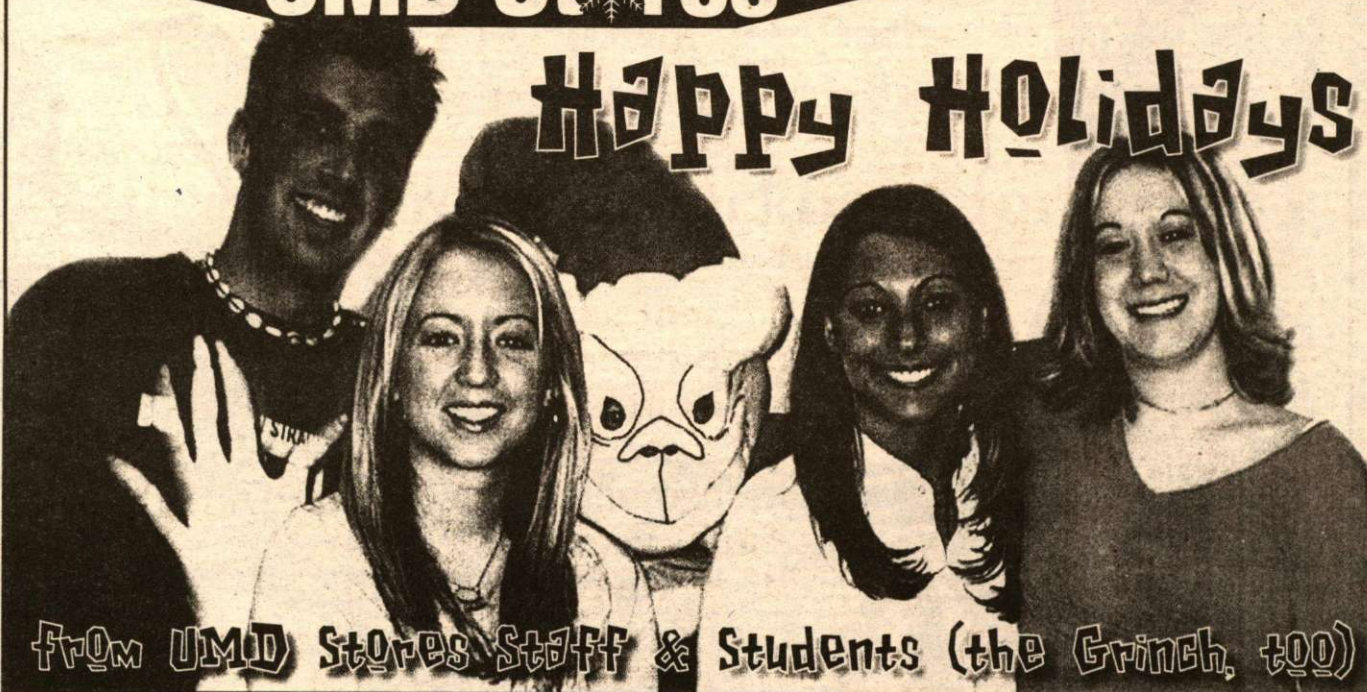


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Check out this week's online edition for an "Extra Point" exclusive. Eric Walsh writes a letter to Minnesota Vikings' Head Coach Mike Tice.



MEN'S HOCKEY

Bulldogs split series with North Dakota

By MATTHEW SAUTER
STAFF REPORTER

After a loss Friday night, the UMD men's hockey team rebounded Saturday and won a close-fought battle against WCHA rival University of North Dakota.

Friday night marked the start of a four-week home stand for the Bulldogs and it was one they would like back.

"Friday removed, we've been playing some good hockey," said Head Coach Scott Sandelin.

Luke Stauffacher shared some of the same emotion as Sandelin.

"We've been up and down, good games and bad games," he said.

Even with the slow start, the Bulldogs are not out of the WCHA race. Last year at this time they were 9-7-2. The Bulldogs are currently 8-8-2 and are sitting at fifth in the conference.

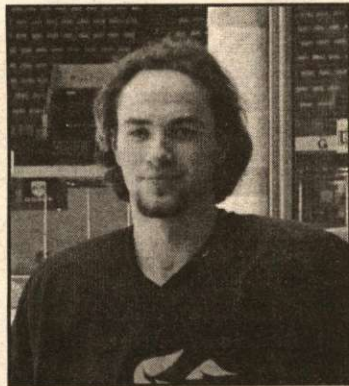
Friday, the game would end 5-1 and the Sioux would mark their sixth win in a row against the Bulldogs. This left no ques-

tion that during Saturday's game UMD would have to work a lot harder if they wanted to salvage any points from the weekend.

"The way we were playing [on Friday] we didn't deserve to win.

We weren't getting any shots and we weren't going into the tough areas," Sandelin said. "We made it easy for them."

The Bulldogs were pressing early as the Fighting Sioux took quick penal-



ERIK WIEGELE/UMD STATESMAN
Bulldog captain Evan Schwabe.

ties in the first period. UND was able to fend the Bulldogs off by killing seven of UMD's eight power play chances.

The damage would be done in the first. UND scored on the power play, again making UMD play catch-up hockey.

"It was a good start," said Sandelin. "We just couldn't score."

UND could though, and they didn't let up for one second on their way to three goals in the first, taking the crowd out of the game in what is typically a hostile environment to play in.



UMD goalie Isaac Reichmuth has allowed 3.00 goals per game this season. He has appeared in 11 games for the Bulldogs.

There was little life left in UMD for the rest of the game. Marco Peluso would give the depleted fans something to cheer about in the third on the power play as the puck slipped out of UND goalie Jordan Parise's glove - the only mistake Parise would make all game.

Though the goal broke up the shutout, Parise played an excellent game in goal. He saved 23 shots and only allowed one goal.

On the opposite side of the

rink Josh Johnson started for UMD and after the first intermission he was pulled with a mark of three goals and 11 saves. Isaac Reichmuth replaced him and finished the game with 15 saves and two goals allowed.

Saturday night the Bulldogs had the opportunity to regroup in front of another sellout crowd in what turned out to be "one of the best games of the season," according to Stauffacher.

UND would draw first blood

by scoring the first short-handed goal UMD has allowed all season. This was the only UND advantage had all game.

Peluso notched his second goal in two games and knotted the score at one midway through the second, where it stayed until early in the third.

In the waning seconds of the third period, captain Evan Schwabe broke the 3-3 tie with a game-winning goal.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

On the rebound

By ERIC WALSH
SPORTS EDITOR

The University of Minnesota Duluth men's basketball team saw their top rebounder return to action after missing five games.

Foss has struggled since his return to the lineup last week. He made his first appearance on the court for the Bulldogs since the end of November last Wednesday versus Minnesota Crookston at the Romano Gymnasium. Foss hauled in 12 rebounds and recorded eight points against the Golden Eagles.

"Foss is a tremendous rebounder," UMD Assistant Coach Matt Williams said. "He's got a knack to get to the boards. That's something that can help you get back into the flow of things."

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WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Goaltender provides backbone for entire team

By AARON PRICE
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR



ERIK WIEGELE/UMD STATESMAN

Bulldog goalie Riitta Schaublin has helped the No. 2 Bulldogs to a 13-1-2 record. UMD's only loss this season came against No. 1 University of Minnesota Twin Cities in Minneapolis.

The No. 2 ranked University of Minnesota Duluth women's hockey team continued the regular season with their best record since their three Championship seasons two years ago, due in part to the goal-stopping power of goaltender Riitta Schaublin.

Schaublin and the Bulldogs they rank No. 2 behind the UMTC Gophers in the Western Collegiate Hockey Association and No. 3 in the NCAA so far this season. The UMD women have a 13-1-2 overall record and 11-1-2 record in the WCHA.

"We are doing great and I am really proud of how we are playing so far this year," said Schaublin, who is in her second year with the Bulldogs. "We always come out strong and not only do we work well on the ice, but the spirit we have on this team I have never experienced anywhere else before."

This last weekend the Bulldogs were at home against the St. Cloud State Huskies where Schaublin dealt SCSU two shutouts with 42 straight saves, bringing her season save total to 352. Her 352 saves

are good for first in the WCHA for total saves.

"She is definitely the backbone of our team," said Shannon Miller, head coach of the Bulldogs. "She is extremely successful as a player and without her we wouldn't be where we are today."

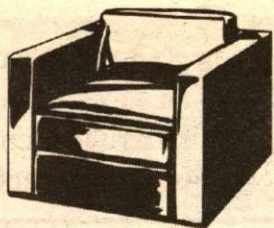
A native of Switzerland and now a second year Minnesotan, Schaublin has really shown her worth as a starting goaltender on a strong team. As a freshman at UMD and a rookie for the Bulldogs, Schaublin started in 23 of her 25 games played in the 2003-2004 season. She ranked that same year among the league's top netminders with a 2.52 goals against average and a .908 saves percentage.

Schaublin's strong rookie season also included earning her first career shutout on Nov. 2, 2003, against St. Lawrence. She then followed that with a second on Dec. 5, 2003 against Wisconsin. Of the 23 games she played in she won 12 and was named WCHA Rookie of the Week on Oct. 28, 2003. Schaublin followed that honor with another for the week of Dec. 1, 2003, when she was named the WCHA Defensive Player of the Week.

Her transformation from her freshman year to her sophomore year has been really remarkable," said Miller. "She has

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THE ARMCHAIR JOCK



“Sports, Grinch style”

By Andy Greder • Sports Columnist

Finals are on the horizon, but let's take a break. Put the highlighter down, slam the book shut, kick the feet up and let Greder Grinch get pessimistic and cynical on sports.

IS THIS A SPORT?

Two weeks ago, I was critical of hockey when I called it 3/4 of a sport. The criterion was that the athletes were there, just not the entertainment. Nascar has neither.

ENTERTAINMENT

The Entertainment Sports Programming Network. Ya know, ESPN stooped to a new low with the Dale Earnhardt Movie. A biography on someone who spent his professional life - literally - going in circles.

“The Daytona 500.” I wish my dad would promote the Christmas drive to Grandma's in Iowa the same way. “The Buck Grove 300.” Doesn't your adrenaline rise just reading that?

ATHLETES

The most extensive body movement in this “sport” is turning a wheel and shifting gears. The rebuttal is the speed and death defying nature. True, but a sport requires at least *standing* like a batter at home plate.

The argument could include the poetic justice of Cake:

- They deftly maneuver and muscle for rank
- Fuels burning fast on an empty tank
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But athletes are the ones who catch an alley-oop one handed and tomahawk it into a peach basket or those who knock the cover off a baseball when they send it 500 feet...oh that's right, steroids. Thanks again for ruining it, Barry Bonds (I'm still bitter).

BACKHANDED COMPLIMENT

Nascar is a hobby, an activity, but not a sport. But in the spirit of the season, I will compliment Nascar fans. Yeah, the hillbillies in the red states. In *Sports Illustrated* a few weeks back Kurt Busch said in response to the basket brawl, “none of our fans would let go of a beer for any reason much less throw it at somebody.”

At least they understand the true meaning of alcohol abuse.

THOUGHTS ON THE LAST VIKINGS LOSS

The despair caused by a decade of defunct defense is still haunted by its past players. Lance Johnstone, the second coming of Dwayne Rudd, has as much discipline as a toddler.

Brian Russell embodies Orlando Thomas. Russell has the same anti-tackling syndrome. His tackles consist of lunging shoulders. When he tries to form tackle, he looks like Frankenstein.

A contributing factor to the loss was the disappearance of our only steady receiver, Jermaine “Wiggy” Wiggins. (Sadly, this isn't a joke). They found him late but it was too little. Which reminds me, I should call Marcus Robinson and see if he is ever going to assume his role as the No. 2 receiver?

Players make plays. In the case of the Vikings, players make a *play*. Play makers such as Chris Claiborne and Michael Bennett have made their one for the season.

Last Sunday, Mike Tice, the “sheriff” in town, was owned and manipulated by Randy Moss. The players' coach decided to let his players coach. I believe it was Moss' idea to try his hand at QB. It was tricky to no one and stupid to everyone even without the interception.

After the interception a laughing Moss was caught on TV. It quelled anger in my roommates and he blurted, “hey why don't you hit a traffic cop *again*.”

Sorry Tice, but not being offered a contract extension means you're a lame duck. Playoffs or not.

PUZZLING QUESTION

When a football color commentator uses the term “cover corner,” is that like a throwing quarterback?

FASHION FLASHBACK 1994

Back in the day when you or someone you knew had a lightning bolt in their hair, Garnett had an arrow in his flat-top. An → pointing to the top of his head - now that's style. The opposite is the Hibbing native Kevin McHale on “Cheers” wearing a sport coat and blue jeans. Classic.

Brace yourself for the inevitable collapse of the Vikings and drown it away with beer specials on pages 4, 6, 17, 20 and 27.

Enjoy the Apple Snicker Salad.

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FOSS: Coach expects forward to re- gain confidence

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Bulldogs' Men's basketball Head Coach Gary Holquist inserted Foss back into the starting lineup in last weekend's road tilts with Northern State and Southwest Minnesota State. Against NSU, Foss managed to record just four points and three rebounds in 25 minutes of action last Saturday.

It was more of the same for Foss on Sunday against SMSU. He tallied five points and eight boards in 28 minutes of play.

Over that five-game span without Foss in the lineup, the Bulldogs went 3-2 without then injured forward Foss. He injured his ankle during the second half of a UMD win over inncity rival St. Scholastica on Nov. 23.

Foss described the injury after the game against Scholastica.

“Following an offensive rebound I came down on my teammate, Matt Hockett and rolled my ankle,” he said.

In that game against the Saints, Foss accumulated a double-double in 22 minutes of action by scoring 21 points and recording 10 rebounds.

“Foss brings energy and athleticism,” Holquist said. “He has the ability to get the ball off the glass with consistency.”

Prior to the injury, Foss was a dominant player on both sides of the ball. During the first four games of the season, Foss was leading the team in total offensive rebounds and total defensive rebounds on his way to averaging 7.5 rebounds per game. He also was one of the team's most consistent scorers averaging 18 points per game.

“Before he got injured he was scoring the ball,” Holquist said of Foss. “He's 6'7” and is a versatile basketball player. He has the ability to play from the inside and the outside.”

Foss' best game of the year came in the first game against Bemidji State on Nov. 15, at Romano Gym. Against the Beavers, Foss recorded a double-double as he accumulated 24 points and gathered 13 rebounds in the Bulldogs' 90-77 victory.

Originally, Foss' ankle injury was thought to be day-to-day by Holquist, but it turned out to be more severe than that. He received treatment and trainers continued to delay his return in hopes of not

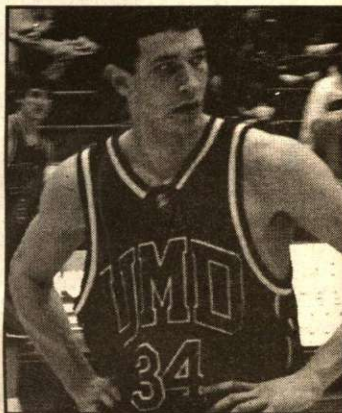
rushing him back to the court too quickly.

“It's tough to come back from an injury,” said Williams. “When you come back, you think that you can just jump back into the fray. But, it takes a couple weeks to get back to the level you were at before, especially with an ankle injury.”

Holquist expects Foss to regain his confidence as he continues to ease him back into playing heavier minutes reminiscent of earlier this season.

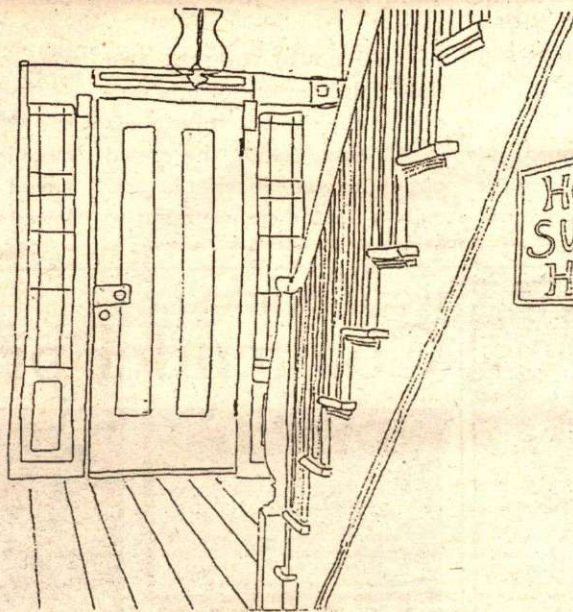
“He just needs to get back into the rhythm of play,” Holquist said.

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Brian Foss returned to the Bulldog lineup Dec. 8, in a game against Crookston.

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Both basketball teams handed losses by NDSU

UMD volleyball coach is the best in the nation according to the American Volleyball Coaches Association

By ERIC WALSH
SPORTS EDITOR

The UMD men's basketball team pushed Div. 1 AA North Dakota State University to the brink last night as they lost a nailbiter, 84-83.

Sean Seaman led the offense for UMD with 25 points on 11/25 shooting.

UMD was also sparked by **John Emerson's** 20 points off the bench. Emerson was 4/9 from three-point range.

Defensively, Bulldogs' rebound leader **Brian Foss** grabbed a team-high 10 boards.

The Bulldogs went into half-time with a 36-27 lead. Determined not to be outdone, the Bison came out poised to make a comeback and cut into the deficit by shooting 60 percent in the second half.

The game would eventually go into three overtime sessions before a winner would be decided. NDSU took the lead with 1:07 remaining in the second half and it never relinquished from there.

UMD (7-6) will look to return to the win column on Dec. 28 against Michigan Tech in Houghton, Mich. Tip-off is set for 6:30 p.m.

Meanwhile, the No. 22 University of Minnesota Duluth women's basketball team also lost to NDSU last night by the score of 68-57 in a non-conference match-up.



The Bulldog Rundown



The Bisons' defense forced UMD into an eight minute scoring drought during the second half of play. The Bulldogs only connected on 35.9 percent of their shot attempts for the game.

Lindsey Dietz, an All-American led the Bulldogs offensively with a game-high 20 points. **Tanysha Scott** added 13 points for UMD in the loss.

The Bulldogs were also led defensively by Dietz, who tallied 20 rebounds for the game.

In defeat, the Bulldogs (9-2) saw their winning streak snapped at five games. The Bulldogs will attempt to avenge last night's loss at Romano Gym on Saturday against Winona State. Tip-off is set for 6 p.m.

Basketball player reaches 1,000 points

University of Minnesota Duluth Sean Seaman became the 29th individual in school history to surpass the 1,000-point mark as a men's basketball player for the Bulldogs.

Seaman reached the 1,000-point plateau during last Wednesday's 30-point performance

versus the University of Minnesota-Crookston. In that game, Seaman was 6/7 from three-point territory and 11/14 from the field. The 30 points accumulated by Seaman are a Bulldogs' team-high this season through 13 games of play.

Seaman had 1,024 points entering last night's game against North Dakota State University. He has appeared in 11 games so far this season prior to last night for the Bulldogs and leads the team in scoring averaging 19.0 points per game (ppg) and assists per game (5.1). As of Tuesday, Seaman ranked No. 2 in the North Central Conference (NCC) in scoring and No. 3 in assists. However, he leads the NCC in three-point percentage (.587). After last night's 25-point performance against NDSU, Seaman surpassed former Bulldog **Kerry LaPine** (1967-71) on the all-time school scoring list.

Seaman made his Bulldog debut in 2002-03 and holds a collegiate scoring average of 14.8 ppg. For his play during the 2003-04 campaign, he was announced to the All-Central Region Team as he led the Bulldogs in nine statistical categories.

Volleyball coach receives award

UMD Head Volleyball Coach **Jim Boos** will officially be named the 2004 NCAA American Coaches Association/Tachikara USA Division II National Coach of the Year tonight in Long Beach, Calif., at the 2004 AVCA Annual Convention Banquet.

Boos guided the women to a third consecutive NCAA playoff berth this year. Upon doing so,

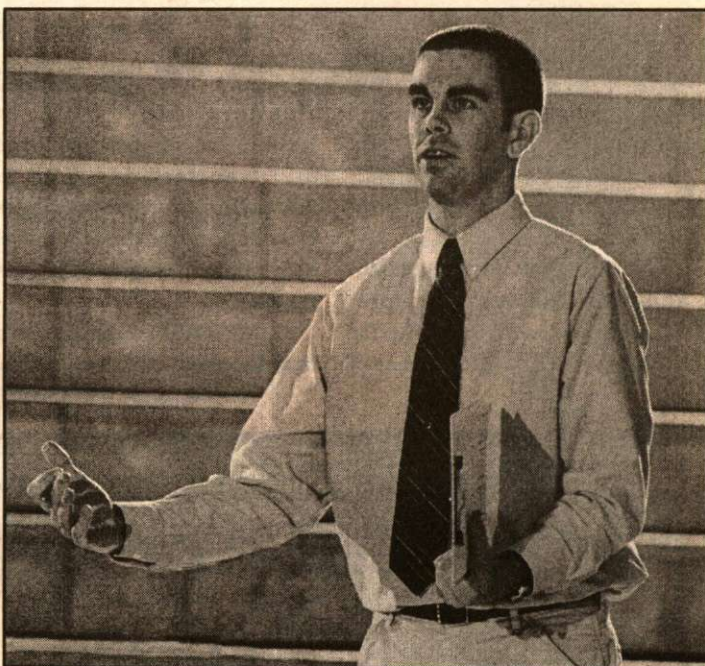
he led the Bulldogs to their first Div. II Elite Eight appearance in school history.

Under Boos' tutelage, the Bulldogs captured the 2004 NCC Championship in their first year of participation.

The volleyball team finished the season with the highest national ranking in school history at No. 4.

Boos has an overall record of 82-13 and is 41-15 during interconference play at UMD. He led the Bulldogs to an overall record of 27-5 in 2004.

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UMD Head Coach Jim Boos led his team to the NCAA tournament again in 2004.

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CLUB LACROSSE

Dulax prepares for exhibition game with Gophers at Xcel

By ERIC WALSH
SPORTS EDITOR

Box Lacrosse will be on display Jan. 28, 2004, when the University of Minnesota Duluth men's club lacrosse team plays intrastate rival University of Minnesota Twin Cities at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul, Minn.

As an added incentive, prior to the start of the collegiate game, spectators will have the opportunity to watch professional lacrosse as the Anaheim Storm will take on the Minnesota's newest pro team, the Swarm, at 7:30 p.m.

"This is a good opportunity for fans to watch an exciting, high scoring, physical sport, played on artificial turf inside the hockey rink boundaries," Bulldog attacker Mario Loreti said.

The contest between UMD and UMTC will serve as a pre-season exhibition match-up for both squads and the winner of

the match will have bragging rights over their opponent until the two teams meet again on April 16 at Malosky Stadium here in Duluth.

"This will be a fun experience for all of us," Bulldogs' Defensive Captain Derek Daehn said about the upcoming game. "We hope to learn a lot from our performance against the Gophers. We have a lot of new freshmen and transfers added to the roster this year and they'll get a chance to experience what the intrastate rivalry is all about," he said.

UMTC will be making their first lacrosse club appearance

since 2003. Last season, players on the Gophers' roster were suspended for violating unspecified team policies.

"We hope to learn a lot from our performance against the Gophers."

-Derek Daehn,
UMD Club
Lacrosse player

Tickets for the game can be purchased at www.dulax.net, which is the UMD club lacrosse team's official Web site. Prices range anywhere from \$17 to \$27. For every ticket sold at the game, \$5 will be set aside as funding for the UMD lacrosse club. Game time is set for 9:30 p.m.

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WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Questionable play causes key injury

By AARON PRICE
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While the UMD women's hockey team handed out their second consecutive shutout to the SCSU Huskies Saturday night, the Bulldogs suffered a loss of their own as team captain Nora Tallus was sidelined with a wrist injury.

"It is very frustrating," said Head Coach Shannon Miller. "Both teams did play a little rough on Saturday, but when a player gets injured in that fashion something needs to be done."

The injury that Tallus suffered was due to what was said to be an overly aggressive play allowed by the referees.

Miller was seen arguing with the referees throughout the game and then even more intensely following the injury to Tallus.

"As a coach it is my duty to look after my players," said Miller. "On Saturday night I felt some things got out of hand. There should always be some sort of safe environment

on the ice and at times there was none."

Tallus is expected to be out for four to six weeks, which immediately puts a damper on the starting lineup of UMD.

So far this season Tallus, who is a forward for the Bulldogs, has seven goals with a goals-per-game average of .47, ranking her No. 16 with four other skaters in the WCHA, including teammate Juliane Jubinville.

"It will be a tough loss for our team," said Miller. "Tallus is a very strong player and it will be a hard couple of weeks without her."

After the break, the Bulldogs will add forwards Karine Demeule and Melissa Roy to their roster due to Tallus' injury. They will also welcome back defenseman Krista McArthur to the lineup as well as they prepare for the Jan. 7 match-up against Ohio State University at the DECC.

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UMD SPLIT: Bulldogs to host Denver at home this weekend

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It was Schwabe's second of the game. Both of the scores came from the right side of the net and were put-back scores.

Stauffer talked about how the crowd played a large factor in Saturday's game, helping the Bulldogs' third-period rally effort.

"There is definitely a lot

more energy at home," Stauffer said. "If we get the crowd behind us it's easy to play hard. It's tough to play at UND and UMTC and it's nice to make it hard on them."

Sandelin proclaimed the win an important one in the grand scheme of things.

"We came back," Sandelin said. "It was the best game all year as far as engaging physically."

This weekend, the reigning NCAA champions, the No. 7 Denver Pioneers will come to the DECC for a two-game series. The series will mark the first meeting between these two squads since the Bulldogs lost to Denver in the NCAA Frozen Four semi-final match-up last April.

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SCHAUBLIN: Third shutout provides goalie the edge on ice

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become stronger, quicker and even more mature in the off-season."

The Mathematics major is having a breakout year with three shutouts already this season. She is also ranked second nationally with saves percentage (.951) and goals against average (1.37).

Recently Schaublin was named the WCHA Defensive Player of the Week during the week of Dec. 5, for her play against Harvard two weeks ago. Schaublin also set a new Bulldog school record with 43 saves in the 6-3 victory over Harvard on Dec. 4. The previous high was set by Patricia Sautter on March 3, 2001, against Minnesota State. Schaublin was also named USCHO.com runner-up for Defensive Player of the Week.

"I am really proud of my performance right now," said Schaublin. "I have continued to work hard this season, but I feel my focus at times is a little off, so it's something I am working with right now."

Hockey is a sport Schaublin has been around for years. Before she began her collegiate career at UMD, Schaublin

was the goaltender for Team Switzerland as well as the No. 1 goalie for the championship team at the Women's World Championships Division I in 2001. She was also the first female player in Aliga, Switzerland when she played for EHC Zuzgen-Sissach from 2001 to 2003. Schaublin helped her team in Switzerland; the DEHC Lyss, win a Swiss Women's Championship in 1996 and then again with the DEHC Reinach in 2001.

"Riitta is an intelligent, eccentric person with a great sense of humor," said Miller. "The attitude she brings to the rink everyday is always positive and exciting. She has helped our team tremendously and because of her and the other women. We have been a dominating force so far this season."

The Bulldogs are off for the Christmas break and will not return to action until Jan. 7-8, when they travel to Columbus, Ohio, for a WCHA series with Ohio State University.

"Our team is doing really well this year," said Schaublin. "We have the power and the strength as well as the talent to make a good run. Our goal has always been a return to the NCAA Championship and this year we will be a strong threat."

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SLC Presents...

Lobby Day

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Feb 16th

Mark Your Calendars!

- * Meet and talk with Legislators to keep UMD a priority
- Get out of classes
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Tweed Museum

Through Dec. 19 - UMD Art and Design Faculty Exhibition.

Through Jan. 23 - Architectural Art & The Process of Design: Recent Projects by Northern Minnesota Architects.

Through Feb. 6 - Spirals in Space and Time: The Art of Leslie Bohnenkamp.

Student shows - Sara Goodnow, Katie Woods and Sarah Welander through Dec. 19.

Student Web Contest 2005

Win \$\$\$\$\$. Up to five \$500 awards will be given.

Undergraduate and graduate students are eligible. The project is to develop a Web site for an undergraduate course and/or Web based materials for an undergraduate course. The deadline for submission is Friday, Jan. 28, 2005.

Each student must have an identified faculty or departmental sponsor.

For details on the contest and to submit your site, please go to: www.d.umn.edu/itss/etrg/webcontest.html.

If a student is interested and needs a faculty or department sponsor or if the faculty or departmental sponsor is looking for a student, please call Sheri

Pihlaja at 726-6975 or e-mail spihlaja@d.umn.edu.

Recruiting!

Peer Education Program (PEP) is recruiting. We're the Condom Man people and we need new members for spring semester. \$75 cash stipend, fun campus events, education, friends and good times. Only committed students need apply.

Contact Lauretta Perry at lperry@d.umn.edu or Shelly DeCaigny at sdecaign@d.umn.edu.

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Doc Talks

A special events Doc Talk on Native American Medicine will be held tonight at 7:30 p.m..

For more information, see www.somd.d.umn.edu/doctalks or contact Janet Fitzakerley, 726-8512, jfitzake@d.umn.edu.

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Student Grief Group

The Student Grief Group meets Wednesdays from 4-5:30 p.m. in K361.

CLA Third Friday Lectures

The College of Liberal Arts faculty lecture series "Third Friday" features recently published work or work-in-progress by faculty in CLA. All faculty and staff are invited to attend. Beverages and snacks will be provided.

On Friday, Dec. 17, Alexis Pogorelskin, associate history professor, will present "Hollywood and the Nazis or 'I Am Franklin Roosevelt and I Approved This Message'" at 3 p.m. in the Rafters.

For information, see www.d.umn.edu/cla/main/3friday.php or call 726-8981.

UMD Theatre

The Heidi Chronicles will be presented through Dec. 18, at 7:30 p.m. in Marshall Performing Arts Center.

This Pulitzer Prize-winning play is a heartwarming and hilarious look at one woman's attempt to find her place in the world.

Normally directed by UMD Theatre faculty, The Heidi Chronicles is under the direction of UMD Theatre major Maureen Sexton.

Tickets are \$13/adults, \$10/seniors and students and \$6/UMD students and children and can be purchased at the Theatre Box Office or by calling 726-8561.

Rice Lake Hunters, Survivors and Victims Fund

The Hmong Families of Duluth-Superior are hosting a fund-raiser to benefit the hunting victims memorial fund in Rice Lake, Wisc., Saturday, Dec. 18, from noon-3 p.m. at First United Methodist Church (Coppertop), 230 E. Skyline Parkway.

Items for sale include: Hmong food (egg rolls, fried rice, salad), Hmong crafts (traditional needlework items) and Books (Hmong Roots with Paper Dolls and Story Cloths).

All proceeds will go directly to the Rice Lake Hunters, Survivors and Victims Memorial Fund to benefit the hunting victims.

For information, contact Cher Pao Vang, 626-4512, ext. 168 (morning), 733-2164, ext. 129 (afternoon) or 394-2193 (home).

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Housing

If you are a gay male student, or gay-friendly student living in the residence hall and want to change rooms, please contact Angie Nichols, director of GLBT Services for info/appointment 726-7300 or anichols@d.umn.edu.

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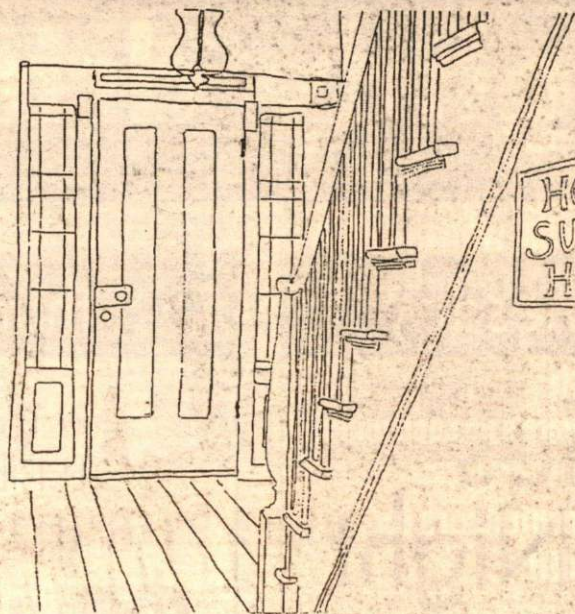
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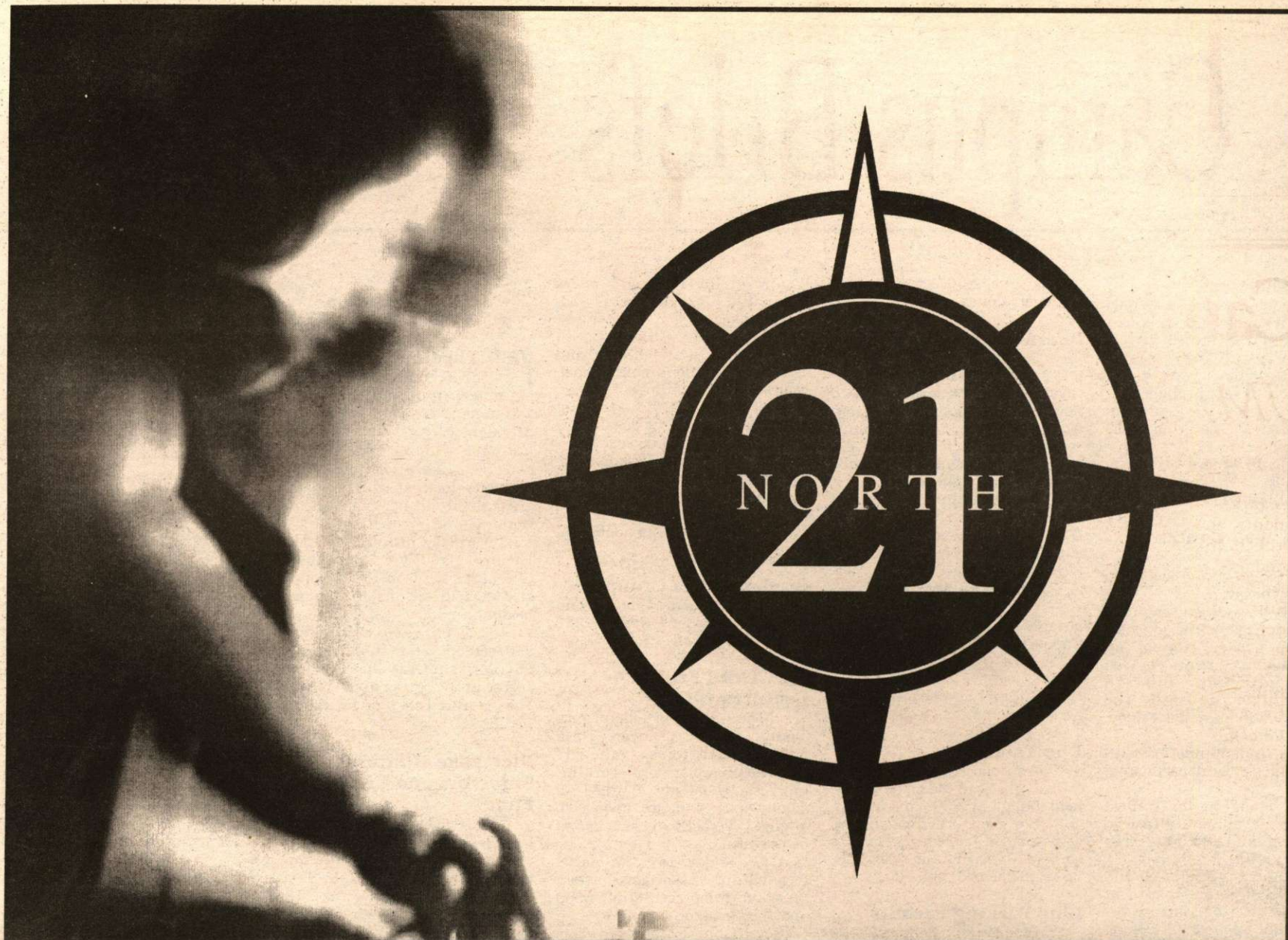
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